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National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division III Management Council

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July 25-26, 2011

1. Welcome and announcements.

2. Rosters, future meeting schedule and Monthly updates.

3. Review of Summary and minutes.

   a. Summary of Spring 2011 Quarterly Meetings. (Approval)

   b. April 28, 2011, Executive Committee meeting. (Informational)

   c. May 10, May 16, June 9, and July 6, 2011, Administrative Committee actions. (Approval)

4. Review Division III Strategic Positioning Platform. [Supplement No. 1]

5. Committee/subcommittee reports.

   a. Division III joint Presidents Council/Management Council committees or subcommittees.

      (1) Convention-Planning Subcommittee. [Supplement No. 2] (Nancy Meyer)

      (2) Strategic-Planning and Finance Committee. (Chris Martin)

         (a) Report of July teleconference. [Supplement No. 3a to be distributed at the meeting.]

(b) Division III budget.

- 2010-11 budget-to-actual. [Supplement No. 3b]
- 2011-12 budget. [Supplement No. 3c]
- Division III six-year budget projection. [Supplement No. 3d]

(c) Division III Strategic Plan. [Supplement No. 3e]

(3) Joint Legislative Steering Committee.

b. Management Council subcommittees.

(1) Academic Issues Subcommittee. [Supplement No. 4] (Tim Downes)

(2) Subcommittee for Legislative Relief. (Charlie Robert)

(3) Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee. (Chris Martin)

c. Division III committees.

(1) Championships Committee. [Supplement No. 5] (Downes)

(2) Financial Aid Committee. (Terry Rupert)

(3) Committee on Infractions. [Supplement No. 6] (Mary Jo Gunning)

(4) Infractions Appeals Subcommittee. [Supplement No. 7] (Kitty Baldridge)

(5) Membership Committee. [Supplement No. 8] (Robert)

(6) Nominating Committee. (Portia Hoeg)

(7) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. [Supplement No. 9 will be distributed at the meeting.] (Tucker Glass/Kirin Khan)

(8) Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. [Supplement No. 10] (Gunning)

(9) Interpretations and Legislative Committee. [Supplement No. 11] (Kurt Beron)

d. Association-wide committees.

(1) Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. [Supplement No. 12] (Jeff Martinez)

- Sickle Cell Testing. [Supplement No. 13]

(2) Honors Committee. (Bill Klika)

(3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC). [Supplement No. 14] (Stanton Ching)

(4) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee. [Supplement No. 15] (Fredina Ingold)

(5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 16] (Janine Hathorn)

(6) Research Committee. (Chris Thomforde)

(7) Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct. (Ingold)

(8) Walter Byers Scholarship Committee. [Supplement No. 17] (Marjorie Hass)

(9) Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA). (Hoeg)

(10) Legislative changes to MOIC and CWA. [Supplement No. 18]

6. Division III Initiatives.

a. Identity Activation for 2011-12. [Supplement No. 19]

b. Drug education and testing.

(1) NASPA collaboration. [Supplement No. 20a]

(2) Drug Testing models. [Supplement No. 20b]

c. Academic Reporting. [Supplement No. 21]

d. Proposed Division III Expense Pilot ("Dashboard Indicators").

e. Conference Presidential Leadership. [Supplement No. 22]

f. Virtual Focus Group communication. [Supplement No. 23]

7. Proposed Legislation for the 2012 Convention.

a. Review of modifications of wording approved by the Management Council per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1. [Supplement No. 24]

b. Review noncontroversial legislation approved by the Management Council per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1. [Supplement No. 25]

c. Membership-sponsored legislation.

8. Association-wide updates and issues.

a. Litigation update. [Supplement No. 26 will be distributed at the meeting]

b. Governmental relations report. [Supplement No. 27]

c. Student-Athlete Affairs Advisory Group meeting. [Supplement No. 28]

d. Transgender Student-Athlete Policy. [Supplement No. 29]

9. Other Business.

- Conference Meeting Feedback. [Supplement No. 30]

10. Adjournment.

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DIVISION III FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE
2011

Attending	Dates	Meeting/Championships	Location
AD/KN/JO	July 14	Membership Committee teleconference	
AH/JM/KN	July 20	ILC teleconference	
	July 21-24	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (Joint meeting with DIII Management Council)	Indianapolis, IN
DTD/LNK/DSK/JM/AD/EH/ GB/KK/AH/KN	July 25-26	Management Council Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
DTD/LNK/DSK/JM/AD/EH/ GB/KK/AH	August 10	Presidents and Chancellors Advisory Group Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
DTD/LNK/DSK/JM/AD/EH/ GB/KK/AH	August 11	Presidents Council Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
AD/KN/JO	August 11	Membership Committee teleconference	
AH/JM/KN	August 17	ILC teleconference	
AD/KN/JO	September 8	Membership Committee teleconference	
JW/LS/JG	September 12-13	Championships Committee Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
ST	September 20	Nominating Committee Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
AH/JM/KN	September 22-23	ILC meeting	Indianapolis, IN
AD/KN/JO	October 13	Membership Committee teleconference	
DTD/LNK/DSK/JM/AD/EH/ GB/KK/AH/KN	October 17-18	Management Council Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
AH/JM/KN	October 19	ILC teleconference	
DTD/LNK/DSK/JM/AD/EH/ GB/KK/AH	October 26	Presidents Council Dinner/Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
DTD/LNK/DSK/JM/AD/EH/ GB/KK/AH	October 27	Presidents Council Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
EH/JM	November 7	Financial Aid Committee Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
	November 9-11	FARA Fall Symposium	San Diego
AD/KN/JO	November 10	Membership Committee teleconference	
AH/JM/KN	November 16	ILC teleconference	
	November 18-20	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
	November 30 – December 1	Student-Athlete Reinstatement Meeting (DIII specific break out session morning of December 1)	Indianapolis, IN
AD/KN/JO	December 8	Membership Committee teleconference	
AH/JM/KN	December 21	ILC teleconference	
		2012	
	January 10-14	Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Meeting in conjunction with NCAA Convention	Indianapolis, IN
	February 9-10	ILC Meeting	TBD
	February 20-21	Financial Aid Committee Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
	May 23-24	Student-Athlete Reinstatement Meeting (DIII specific break out session morning of May 24)	Indianapolis, IN

*__Championships Committee Teleconference__ – all call begin at 11 a.m. Eastern time
Call-in Number: 800/361-5659
Passcode: 395560

ILC Teleconference
Call-in Number: 800/605-5167
Passcode: 310540

Membership Committee Teleconference
Call-in Number: 800/251-6413
Passcode: 308316

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MONTHLY UPDATE

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This update is a tool to enhance communication between the NCAA national office and the Division III membership, with distribution to athletics directors, senior woman administrators, faculty athletics representatives, conference commissioners and the NADIIIAA list serve. Please Contact Marquette Potter at mpotter@ncaa.org to include an item, and remember to sign up with the NCAA News for daily or weekly news updates.

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From the Chair of the Management Council

The April NCAA Division III Management Council meeting is in the books and it was a good start to the year for the Council. We had a number of key issues to discuss and the group worked efficiently and effectively in reviewing each business item.

As you may have read in Gary Brown's post-meeting update (if not, please do so), the Council took several key actions towards important issues, including:

- Supporting the financial dashboards pilot program, which will provide some accurate bench marking numbers as key reference points for institutions. The NCAA Division III Presidents Council reviewed this endeavor at its April 28 meeting.
- Endorsed the NCAA Division III Championship Committee's continued review of appropriate bench size numbers for NCAA championships participation, in accordance with the Resolution adopted at the 2011 NCAA Convention; and
- Supported the further enhancement of institutional responsibility with regards to financial aid violations as the Division III membership becomes more familiar with the current financial aid legislation.

Please read the post-Council meeting update for additional information on the Council's actions.

It is worth noting that the April Council meeting included two athletics direct reports, Charles Harris, Averett University and Lou Stark, Coe College, the first such position represented at the Council level. This is a significant step for the governance structure and one that will lead to positive outcomes as the new athletics direct reports were key participants in the April meeting. I look forward to involvement from those folks in future Council meetings.

Lastly, I encourage you to check out the new Division III Facebook page, which was launched during the Council meeting. The page is designed to strengthen the Division III fan base and increase the general public's knowledge and understanding of Division III. So, check it out!

DIVISION III IDENTITY INITIATIVE

NCAA DIVISION III FACEBOOK.
The April launch of the NCAA Division III Facebook page was an overwhelming success, with over 1,300 "likes" within the first 24 hours! Now, as the page gradually cultivates support, the NCAA staff will designate the next four months as "Phase One – Growth" – where conference offices, institutions and student-athletes will be charged with sharing the page and instigating excitement around Division III's new social media presence. A promotional toolkit will be provided for the membership later this summer to help spread the Division III message to a wide variety of campus constituents, alumni and student-athletes.

DIVISION III COMMITTEE UPDATES

The NCAA Division III Management and Presidents Councils met in Indianapolis on April 11-12 and April 27-28, respectively. Highlights from those meetings include:

1. Presidential Legislative Package for the 2012 Convention. The Management and Presidents Council endorsed further development of the following concepts for the 2012 Convention; each were generated as part of the division's 2008 white papers on membership growth.
   (a) Amend the philosophy statement to emphasize that Division III athletics are primarily focused on the undergraduate educational experience in a four-year time frame.
   (b) Amend the philosophy statement to clarify that initial and continuing eligibility standards are best left to institutional and conference autonomy.
   (c) Amend the philosophy statement to express a commitment to supporting a student-athlete's right to meaningful participation in non-athletic pursuits as a method of enriching the overall educational experience.

   While the Councils also considered use of the division dominant voting standard for related legislative proposals (which would have subjected the provisions to a supermajority voting requirement), it was determined that such action is premature and could undermine the division's efforts to cohesively align under the strategic positioning platform.

2. 2011-12 Identity Activation. In addition to managing ongoing efforts, the Councils approved the development of additional educational resource materials to share with prospective student-athletes, their parents and high school coaches, endorsed the establishment of a national Division III week, and approved production of a customizable video for institutions to embed local content as well as other activation resources.
3. Drug Education and Testing. The Councils approved establishment of a Division III drug education and testing strategy that retains the status quo championships testing program and will make funds available for campuses to conduct enhanced education and/or testing at the institution's discretion. The educational program will focus on effectively partnering with the student-affairs and coaches communities, and prioritize alcohol abuse as the most significant substance issue in the division.
4. Division III Expense Pilot. The Councils approved the development of a financial dashboard pilot program. Plans are to launch the pilot in fall 2011 and present a preliminary report of findings at the 2012 Convention. A dashboard system uses athletics financial data to provide presidents with accurate, timely and relevant information to benchmark an institution's athletics financial situation with a self-defined set of institutions (e.g., peer, aspirational, national and conference groupings). Data collection will not require any elements beyond what is already submitted for the NCAA Revenues and Expense report. Any long term program pursued by the division shall be voluntary.
5. Conference Membership. The Councils agreed to sponsor a proposal that institutions be core members in only one conference. (A minimum number of core institutions are required for a conference to achieve automatic qualification to championships.) As a companion to this proposal, the Membership Committee will also seek to develop a proposal that more consistently links the obligations required of a conference with the benefits received by a conference. The existing 'umbrella' conference whose members maintain core membership in multiple conferences (i.e., Middle Atlantic Conferences) would be permitted to retain its current structure.

6. Financial Aid Reporting Program. In addition to the action on allegations of failure to monitor described in the next section, the Councils also referred to the Committee on Infractions a request that it publicly disclose any violation regarding consideration of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance within the student financial aid awarding process, even if such violation is deemed secondary. Such disclosure should be implemented for the 2011-12 Reporting Cycle. Discovery of violations involving the inclusion of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance in the student financial aid awarding process has remained constant through past reporting cycles with 46 institutions referred to enforcement. The vast majority of these violations are processed as secondary as they have been isolated or inadvertent and have not resulted in a recruiting advantage. The governance structure feels many of these violations could have been avoided if the institution reviewed its awarding policies for compliance with NCAA legislation. Public reprimand, as a potential sanction for violations such as these, would provide incentive for institutions to ensure their policies comply with NCAA bylaws.
7. Transgender Student-Athlete Participation. The Council generally endorsed the following recommended policy for transgender student-athlete eligibility and expressed interest in guidance for institutions dealing with transgender student-athletes that have not received medical treatment related to their transition. The Executive Committee will be asked to take formal action on this policy at its August meeting.
   - A [trans-male] student-athlete who has received a medical exception for treatment with testosterone for diagnosed Gender Identity Disorder (GID), for 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.

MAJOR INFRACTIONS CASES INVOLVING FINANCIAL AID.

During their April 2011 meetings, the NCAA Division III Management and Presidents Councils received a report from the Division III Committee on Infractions (COI) regarding cases forwarded by the Division III Financial Aid Committee (FAC). The COI has been advised to expect additional, potentially major cases for review. Such cases are generated by a reporting process that has been a requirement for more than six years. The FAC has determined that the membership has been provided a significant amount of time to receive education of the financial aid legislation's implementation, expectations and impact. Therefore, the governance structure has endorsed a plan for the enforcement staff to carefully scrutinize future financial aid cases to determine if it is appropriate to include an allegation of failure to monitor and/or a lack of institutional control. Such allegations are more serious in nature than those citing only violations of financial aid legislation. Please contact Laura Wurtz McNab (lwurtz@ncaa.org), NCAA associate director of enforcement if you have specific questions or concerns about the enforcement process.

CONFERENCE AND MEMBER INSTITUTION EDUCATIONAL TOOLS AND OPPORTUNITIES

2011 NCAA REGIONAL RULES SEMINARS

May 16-20 Tucson, Arizona at the JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort and Spa
June 6-10 Tampa, Florida at the Marriott Tampa Waterside and Marina
Session materials and pre-requisite videos are available via the regional rules Website.

COMPLIANCE FORMS DATABASE UPDATE.

Over the past year, the AMA staff have been working on creating an NCAA Compliance Forms Database. This database will allow all student-athletes to complete the compliance forms online and be stored online. The database has been completed and is currently being tested in order to be ready for use by the membership beginning this summer. Please note that a demonstration of the NCAA Compliance Forms Database will be available during the 2011 Regional Rules Seminars at the Overview of Technology Initiatives to be held Wednesday, May 18 and Wednesday, June 8, from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.

Please contact Jen Daniels at jdaniels@ncaa.org or Juliette Kenny at jkenny@ncaa.org if you have any questions.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL XML REPORTING.

The NCAA statistics department would like to thank the Division III sports information offices for making the game-by-game XML submission a great success. Division III submitted 11,679 basketball games (5,743 – MBB/5,936 – WBB) during the 2010-11 campaign. Sports information directors were asked to submit the game XML for each game played the previous week by 2 p.m. every Monday, instead of the previous practice of the conference providing the XML.

After an apprehensive start, the results were amazing. Only six, again only six out of 11,685 games played this year, were not reported. 99.9 percent participation. Nice job!

http://stats.ncaa.org/team/inst_team_list?sport_code=MBB&division=3

http://stats.ncaa.org/team/inst_team_list?sport_code=WBB&division=3

DIVISION III WEB CASTING.

The NCAA will kick off the spring championship season by hosting four Division III selection shows that will be streamed on NCAA.com. Men's and women's Lacrosse, softball and rowing teams can gather together to find out their fate in the their respective NCAA tournaments. The shows will include notes on each team as well as photos or footage of the top teams in each sport.

The NCAA and Turner Sports will also be web-streaming all Division III championships in some capacity, including women's golf, men's golf, softball, men's lacrosse, women's lacrosse, men's tennis, women's tennis, men's and women's outdoor track and field, baseball and rowing. These streams will all be in High Definition (HD) and have play-by-play to accompany each production. Fans will simply log on to NCAA.com to watch the streams.

INSTITUTIONAL SELF-STUDY GUIDE ONLINE.

The NCAA Division III Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG) is going digital! The ISSG will be released in a new online-only format on September 1. While the content of the ISSG will remain the same, all institutions that are conducting the ISSG for completion of the membership requirement will be required to log onto NCAA.org with their single-source sign-on credentials to submit the information via the online form. The NCAA Division III Conference Self-Study Guide (CSSG) will be released online at a yet-to-be-determined date soon after the ISSG goes live. Stay tuned for additional information as the summer gets underway.

2011 NCAA WOMAN OF THE YEAR.

The nomination process for the 21st annual NCAA Woman of the Year award program is now open. The NCAA Woman of the Year award honors senior student-athletes for their collegiate achievements in service, leadership, athletics and academics. By submitting nominations, your institution has the opportunity to recognize female student-athletes on your campus who best exemplifies a commitment to these four areas. ***All institutional nominees will receive an NCAA certificate and be named in a national press release.*** In order to be considered for the award, nominees must complete their eligibility (or have no intent to compete further) by July 2011 and have completed their undergraduate degrees by the summer of 2011.

Your nomination form must be accessed at http://web1.ncaa.org/woty/exec/main **and submitted online not later than May 20, 2011**. The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) manages the nomination process and selections and conference offices are responsible for assessing each conference nominee's eligibility and subsequently selecting a conference nominee based on collective achievements in service, leadership, athletics and academics.

Please visit the Women of the Year page for additional information:

http://www.ncaa.org/wps/portal/ncaahome?WCM_GLOBAL_CONTEXT=/ncaa/NCAA/Media%20and%20Events/Awards/Woman%20of%20the%20Year/index

NCAA PARTICIPATES IN FIRST EVER GBTA SPORTS CONFERENCE.

Travel is an area of significant cost savings opportunities for most campuses. Even the smallest of travel budgets can find opportunities to work smarter and attain cost savings and reduce risk through sharing best practices with like organizations. The NCAA along with several professional sports leagues such as the NFL Players Association, MLB and NASCAR have partnered with the Global Business Travel Association to conduct their first ever conference focused solely on sports-related travel issues. The conference will be July 21-22 in Indianapolis and will begin with a keynote address by, Cal Ripken Jr. You may view the full schedule here: **View full agenda**.

The NCAA staff has been represented on the GBTA sports travel committee since its inception in 2009 along with membership representation from Kevin Maguire, travel manager for athletics for the University of Texas at Austin, Nancy Simpson, director of athletics for Anderson University of South Carolina and Page Cotton, director of athletics for DePauw University. The committee has also contributed to the creation of the GBTA Sports Travel Fundamentals online education program that is available free with registration to the conference.

http://www.gbta.org/stc/Pages/default.aspx

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE.

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Single-Source Sign-On

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KEY DATES FOR MAY AND JUNE		
May 3-4	Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee Meeting	Indianapolis, Indiana
May 10-13	Men's Golf Finals Guildford College	Greensboro, North Carolina
May 10-13	Women's Golf Finals Oglethorpe University	Howey-in-the-Hills, Florida
May 20-24	Softball Finals Old Dominion Athletic Conference	Salem, Virginia
May 21-22	Women's Lacrosse Finals Adelphi University	Garden City, New York
May 24-29	Men's and Women's Tennis Finals Claremont, McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges	Claremont, California
May 26-28	Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Finals Ohio Wesleyan University	Delaware, Ohio
May 27-31	Baseball Finals Lawrence University	Appleton, Wisconsin
May 27-29	Division III Women's Rowing Finals	TBD
May 29	Men's Lacrosse Finals M & T Bank Stadium	Baltimore, Maryland
May 31 – June 2	Championships Committee meeting	Indianapolis, Indiana
June 22-24	Membership Committee meeting	Indianapolis, Indiana

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DIVISION III IDENTITY INITIATIVE

DIVISION III PURCHASING WEBSITE:

As a reminder, the Division III Purchasing Website credits expire August 31. New credits will be issued on September 1. Login now to redeem your 2010-11 credit for Division III identity merchandise. Contact Debbie Kresge at dkresge@ncaa.org, if you have any questions.

CONFERENCE AND MEMBER INSTITUTION EDUCATIONAL TOOLS AND OPPORTUNITIES

We would like to announce and congratulate the 2011-13 NCAA Division III Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant and 2011-14 NCAA Division III Strategic Alliance Matching Grant recipients.

2011-13 NCAA Division III Ethnic Minority and Women's Internship Grant Recipients:

- Beloit College
- Castleton State College
- Crown College (Minnesota)
- Dominican University (Illinois)
- Eastern Mennonite University
- Hope College
- Lewis and Clark College
- Macalester College
- Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
- Muhlenberg College
- North Central College
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Union College (New York)
- Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

2011-14 NCAA Division III Strategic Alliance Matching Grant Recipients:

- Concordia University Texas
- Hilbert College
- Mount Aloysius College
- North Eastern Athletic Conference
- State University of New York at Oswego
- The College of New Jersey
- University of Wisconsin, Whitewater

MEN'S BASKETBALL APPROVED RULES CHANGES:
The 2011-12 and 2012-13 men's basketball rules changes have been approved and are available online at the links provided below.

Men's Basketball Annual Meeting Report
http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/rules/mbb/2011/MBBannualmeetingreport.pdf

Men's Basketball Approved Rules Changes
http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/rules/mbb/2011/2011MBBfinalrules.pdf

Diagram of 3-Foot Restricted Area Arc
http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/rules/mbb/2011/3_FOOT_ARC.pdf

Contact Ty Halpin at thalpin@ncaa.org or 317/917-6136 if you have any questions.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL APPROVED RULES CHANGES:
The 2011-12 and 2012-13 women's basketball rules changes have been approved and are available online at the links provided below.

Women's Basketball Annual Meeting Report
http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/rules/wbb/2011/2011WBBannualmeetingreport.pdf

Women's Basketball Approved Rules Changes
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NCAA Compliance Forms
The NCAA Compliance Forms are scheduled to be released July 1. New this year is the opportunity for student-athletes to complete the forms electronically. Information is available on the NCAA Regional Rules Seminars web page at the following: http://www.ncaa.org/wps/myportal/ncaahome?WCM_GLOBAL_CONTEXT=/ncaa/ncaa/legislation+and+governance/rules+and+bylaws/regional+seminars/division+i+technology+session+information. Additional information will also be available on the compliance forms web page by July 1.

Manual Consistency Project NCAA Divisions I, II and III Legislation Teams

Background

Since 2007, the NCAA Divisions I, II and III legislation teams have been conducting a systematic review of the three divisional Manuals in order to identify and to develop recommendations relating to: consistency in use of terminology, structure of NCAA bylaws, appropriate use of figures and user efficiencies. Each bylaw was critically examined by the NCAA staff with these goals in mind and the benefits the enhancements will provide to the NCAA membership, committees and staff.

After this extensive review of each division's Manual, the staff has identified improvements to the Manuals that will be phased in over the next two to three years, which began with the 2010-11 Manuals. The changes will emphasize improved user efficiency and consistency among bylaws and take advantage of technology in several areas.

In order to assist the membership with the transition, the staff will provide regular updates through various channels [e.g., Collegiate Commissioners Association Compliance Administrators and Commissioner's newsletters, Legislative Services Database for the Internet homepage, NCAA Regional Rules Seminars].

Phase II of Manual Review Project Underway

The next roll out of improvements will take place with the 2011-12 Manuals and will include easier identification of *de minimis* violations and restitution bylaws. Users will also notice more consistent use of words and phrases throughout the Manual

Enhancements for future Manuals include:

*Free app of the Manual for mobile devices.
*Printing of only select articles (for example, Bylaws 10-17).
*Further consolidations of bylaws.

We are interested in hearing from the membership with any feedback and ideas on how we can improve the Manuals. Please contact a legislation team member with your thoughts and suggestions.

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First large-scale examination of each division's manual since federation in 1997.

2011 SPRING CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS!

Congratulations to the following 2011 NCAA Division III spring championship winners:

SPORT	CHAMPION
Baseball	Marietta College
Women's Golf	Methodist University
Men's Golf	Greensboro College
Women's Lacrosse	Gettysburg College
Men's Lacrosse	Salisbury University
Women's Outdoor Track and Field	University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh
Men's Outdoor Track and Field	North Central College
Rowing	Williams College
Softball	Linfield College
Women's Tennis	Williams College
Men's Tennis	Amherst College

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DIVISION III IDENTITY INITIATIVE

Send us your stories!

The NCAA staff has created a mailbox to collect your stories about the student-athlete experience. Please send your pieces to d3identity@ncaa.org and remember that the NCAA may use the stories in the NCAA News, on the Division III Facebook page, on the Division III public website, or here on the membership homepage. Thank you in advance for helping the division share and celebrate its values!

LEGISLATION UPDATE

The Interpretations and Legislation committee reviewed a series of interpretive issues that arose in conjunction with the 2011 NCAA Regional Rules Seminars and issued the following official interpretations:

Contact at Prospective Student-Athlete's Practice or Competition Site. The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed it is permissible for an institution's coach to contact a prospective student-athlete at the prospective student-athlete's away-from-home practice or competition site provided the competition has been completed, the prospect has departed the meeting and dressing facility and the prospective student-athlete's coach has released the prospective student-athlete. A prospective student-athlete may be "released" for purposes of allowing contact even if the prospective student-athlete will be traveling back home with the team. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaw 13.1.4.2 (practice or competition site)].

Expenses for Mandatory Medical Exam Prior to Becoming a Student-Athlete. The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that an institution may conduct a medical examination of a prospective student-athlete during an official or unofficial visit, or in conjunction with the prospective student-athlete's arrival to campus prior to the beginning of preseason practice and/or the academic year, provided the prospective student-athlete has been accepted for regular full-time enrollment at the institution. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.02.6. (prospective student-athlete), 13.11.1 (prospective student-athlete defined for tryout-rule purposes), 16.4 (medical expenses), 16.5.1-(a) (preseason practice expenses), staff interpretation (6/9/04, Item Ref. 1) and an educational column (1/6/07, Item Ref. 3)].

Uniformity of Participation Awards. The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that a member institution, conference or other approved agency may provide different participation awards based on the year or class (e.g., freshman, sophomore, first year participant, second year participant) of a student-athlete, provided the awards are uniform for all recipients within a given year or class. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaw 16.1.2 (uniformity of awards) and a staff interpretation (12/13/91, Item Ref. e, which has been archived)]."

CONFERENCE AND MEMBER INSTITUTION EDUCATIONAL TOOLS AND OPPORTUNITIES

NCAA Division III Strategic Initiatives Conference Grant Program—REMINDER!

The impact form (with signatures) is due July 15. Conference will be updated on their grant status August 15.

Please contact Leah Kareti at lkareti@ncaa.org or Marquette Potter at mpotter@ncaa.org if you have any questions.

NCAA Compliance Forms are Available Online Starting July 1.

Beginning July 1, institutions can begin to build their squad lists within the new NCAA Compliance Form system found online behind the Single-Source Sign-On System. Once squad lists are developed, emails including the link to the forms and the student-athlete's login information can be emailed to the student-athletes to complete. The administrator side of the system is only available via the Single-Source Sign-On System and users who wish to use the program will need to be provided access by the Single-Source Sign-On Administrators. Self help documents include a User Guide and Frequently Asked Questions. The academic and membership affairs staff will continue to post the forms to the website, but the new online system available to the membership for the first time this year.

Please contact ncaatechnology@ncaa.org with questions concerning the NCAA Compliance Forms system.

Sport Sponsorship and Demographic Form.

The Sport Sponsorship and Demographic Form opened to the membership June 1. The membership is required to submit the form not later than August 1, 2011. **Access must be granted to this application.** Contact your Single-Source Sign-On Administrator if you do not see the "Sports Sponsorship and Demographic Form" link in the "My Account Links" box on your NCAA.org homepage or on the "My Applications" tab in the Business Apps system.

Please contact ncaatechnology@ncaa.org with questions concerning access to the form or the form itself.

Single-Source Sign-On System Update.

Users can find links to their assigned Business Apps on the membership side of NCAA.org in more than one place. The Business Apps link is found by hovering over the Governance link or the Other NCAA Resources link. Another way to gain access directly to the desired application is to click on the link to the program in the "My Account Links" box found on the user's homepage. When the user connects directly to the application via the "My Account Links" box they are required to authenticate themselves for each link they select. When the user is authenticated through the Business Apps link the user will not be required to be re-authenticated for each application link the user selects from the list of links on the "My Applications" tab within the Business Apps tool. Using the Business Apps link will ultimately save users time if they plan to use more than one application behind the Single-Source Sign-On System by not having to re-authenticate when moving between systems. Using the Business Apps link will also provide users with the list of Single-Source Sign-On Administrators on their respective campus or conference office.

AMA Online Case Management System.

As the new academic year begins, do not forget that all waiver and student-athlete reinstatement requests must be submitted via the AMA Online Case Management System. Guidelines, policies and procedures for each case type and other helpful documents are located on the Resources tab within the AMA Online Case Management System. **Access must be granted to this application.** Contact your Single-Source Sign-On Administrator if you do not see the "AMA Online" link in the "My Account Links" box on your NCAA.org homepage or on the "My Applications" tab in the Business Apps system. Administrators should remember to expand the application once it has been assigned to be sure individual roles and privileges are selected to provide the user appropriate access levels. There is a user guide and tutorial video available to assist users on the Help tab within the Single-Source Sign-On System. Questions relating to the AMA Online Case Management System should be directed to amaonline@ncaa.org.

PLAYING RULES UPDATE

2012-13 Softball Proposed Rules Changes

Women's Basketball Restricted Area Arc Diagram and Instructions Memo

Men's Basketball Restricted Area Arc Diagram and Memo

Blocking Below the Waist - Interpretations Memo

2011 Ice Hockey Rules Committee Annual Meeting Report

Playing Rules Publications

Skiing Proposed Rules Changes

Track and Field Interpretations

Wrestling Approved Rules Changes

NOTE: To access these links, you will need to login in the membership side of ncaa.org.

COMMITTEES UPDATE

The NCAA Division III Championships Committee met May 31 through June 2 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Click here and here for NCAA news coverage of the meeting.

The NCAA Division III Membership Committee met June 23 and 24 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Click here for NCAA news coverage of the meeting.

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SUMMARY OF SPRING 2011 QUARTERLY MEETINGS
The National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division III Management Council April 11-12, 2011 Indianapolis, IN	**Division III Presidents Council April 27-28, 2011 Indianapolis, IN**
Kitty Baldridge, Gallaudet University Kurt Beron, University of Texas at Dallas Stan Ching, Connecticut College Tim Downes, Emory University Mary Jo Gunning, Marywood University Charles Harris, Averett University Janine Hathorn, Washington and Lee University Portia Hoeg, Lake Forest College Fredina Ingold, Pennsylvania State University, Altoona Kirin Khan, Mills College Bill Klika, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham Chris Martin, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin [*chair*] Jeff Martinez, University of Redlands [*vice chair*] Nancy Meyer, Calvin College Steve Nelson, University of Wisconsin, Superior Charlie Robert, Nichols College Terry Rupert, Wilmington College (Ohio) Lou Stark, Coe College Chris Thomforde, Moravian College	Livingston Alexander, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford Robert Antonucci, Fitchburg State College James Bultman, Hope College [*chair*] Charley Edmondson, Alfred University Sharon Herzberger, Whittier College Brian Levin-Stankevich, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire Lisa Marsh Ryerson, Wells College attended portions of the meeting Chris Martin, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin [*chair of Management Council*] Jeff Martinez, University of Redlands *[vice-chair of Management Council]* Jack Ohle, Gustavus Adolphus College Fred Ohles, Nebraska Wesleyan University Rosalind Reichard, Emory and Henry College James Schmotter, Western Connecticut State University attended portions of the meeting [*vice-chair*] Ron Thomas, University of Puget Sound
ABSENTEES	**ABSENTEES**
Tucker Glass, Plattsburgh State University of New York Marjorie Hass, Austin College Chris Thomforde, Moravian College	Kendall Baker, Ohio Northern University Catharine Hill, Vassar College Marcia Keizs, York College
OTHER PARTICIPANTS	**OTHER PARTICIPANTS**
Christyn Abaray, Swarthmore College Gary Brown, NCAA Azure Davey, NCAA Daniel T. Dutcher, NCAA Avery Esdaile, Wellesley College Eric Hartung, NCAA Amy Huchthausen, NCAA Leah Kareti, NCAA, *recording secretary* Debbie Kresge, NCAA Kat Krtnick, NCAA Delise O'Meally, NCAA Jeff Myers, NCAA Kristin Nesbitt, NCAA Donald Remy, NCAA	Gary Brown, NCAA Azure Davey, NCAA Daniel T. Dutcher, NCAA Eric Hartung, NCAA Amy Huchthausen, NCAA Leah Kareti, NCAA, *recording secretary* Debbie Kresge, NCAA Kat Krtnick, NCAA Jeff Myers, NCAA

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Management Council. The meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m. by the chair, Chris Martin. The chair welcomed Council members and guests from the NCAA Pathway Program, Christyn Abaray, Swarthmore College and Avery Esdaile, Wellesley College; and reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

Presidents Council. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by the chair, President Jim Bultman. The Presidents Council attended a joint breakfast of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors and Division II Presidents Council immediately prior to the meeting. This joint breakfast included an update on Association-wide items of interest, including the NCAA President's report and litigation update. The Council also engaged in a planning session from 6 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday evening, April 27.

2. REVIEW OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

a. Management Council Meetings – January 12 and 15, 2011.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the summary of its January 12 and January 15, 2011, meetings as presented.

Presidents Council. No action necessary.

b. Presidents Council Meeting – January 13, 2011.

Management Council. No action necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of its January 13, 2011, meeting as presented.

c. Executive Committee Meeting – January 15, 2011.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the minutes of the January 15, 2011, Executive Committee meeting. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the minutes of the January 15, 2011, Executive Committee meeting. No action was necessary.

d. Administrative Committee Actions.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the minutes of the February 10, February 28 and March 31, 2011, Administrative Committee actions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the minutes of the February 10, February 28 and March 31, 2011, Administrative Committee actions.

3. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION III.

a. Division III Joint Presidents Council/Management Council Committees or Subcommittees.

(1) Convention-Planning Subcommittee.

Staff Liaisons: **Dutcher, Kareti, Davey, Kresge**

Council Reps: Beron, Edmundson, Herzberger, Khan, Meyer, Stark

Management Council. The Council reviewed the subcommittee's report noting possible educational topics for the 2012 Convention:

- Division III Identity Best Practices. This session could include best practices or success stories from the Special Olympics partnership.
- Drug education and testing update.
- Academic Research (to include the Academic Reporting Pilot and other data or findings from the College Sports Project).
- Division expenses ("Dashboard Indicators").
- Other Division III research findings (e.g., GOALS). This session could also be an overview of all available NCAA research impacting the division.
- Legislative hot topics or a mini rules seminar (including a menu of recruiting, fundraising, and other significant Division III bylaws). Such a session may be most appropriate on the day before or after core Convention programming.
- An introduction to compliance concepts.
- Use of technology in Division III athletics (e.g., social media, webcasting, etc.).
- Budgeting. This session could review campus challenges and best practices or the overall Division III budget or both.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Strategic-Planning and Finance Committee.

Staff Liaisons: **Dutcher, Kareti Barnett, Worlock, Huchthausen, Kresge**

Council Reps: Baker, Beron, Glass, Hass, Levin-Stankevich, Ryerson, Martin, Martinez, Schmotter, Stark

(a) Division III Reserve Policy.

Management Council. The Council approved establishment of a Division III budget reserve policy that mandates the division maintain in reserve an amount equal to 80% of the division's projected revenue for that budget year. The division may credit its financial recovery insurance towards the mandated minimum. This policy currently includes $10,000,000 in coverage. See below for sample reserve minimums resulting from this recommendation.

Year	Annual Revenue Allocation	80% of Annual Revenue Allocation	Funds Required to Meet Proposed Reserve Balance After $10 million Financial Recovery Insurance	Current Projected Reserve	Difference in Funds Required and Current Projected Reserve
2010-11	$23,914,000	$19,131,200	$9,131,200	$17,461,946	-$8,330,746
2011-12	$24,358,000	$19,486,400	$9,486,400	$16,965,256	-$7,478,856
2012-13	$24,915,000	$19,932,000	$9,932,000	$16,171,570	-$6,239,570
2013-14	$25,462,000	$20,369,600	$10,369,600	$15,521,967	-$5,152,367
2014-15	$26,173,000	$20,938,400	$10,938,400	$15,044,087	-$4,105,687
2015-16	$26,886,000	$21,508,800	$11,508,800	$14,848,426	-$3,339,626

The division is currently required to hold in reserve an amount equal to 10 percent of its annual revenue allocation. However, the NCAA recently examined its Association-wide reserve policy, which resulted in an enhanced Association-wide reserve policy. National office leadership requested that the division consider establishing an enhanced reserve policy to protect services in the event of an unexpected loss in revenue.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(b) Division III Identity Initiative.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to charge the staff with developing the following activation resources for use of the previously approved $600,500 2011-12 Identity Initiative budget:

- Continue the $1,000 institutional and conference identity credit.
- Develop additional educational resource materials to share with prospective student-athletes, their parents and high school coaches. This could include print, video, or other electronic media, and should be made available to admissions offices to support overall institutional recruiting efforts.
- Conduct a national Division III week.
- Produce a customizable video for institutions to embed local content.
- Create additional PowerPoint templates for athletics administrators.

- Enhance Strategic Alliance Matching grants and Internship grants to include athletics communication as an approved duty.
- Pursue development of a grant program to support the submission of stories highlighting the Division III platform by sport information directors (SIDs) or student reporters.
- Produce Division III microphone stands, note cards and apparel, including the option for institutions and conferences to co-brand the items.
- Produce apparel for use during Special Olympics activities.

The committee determined that these activation resources present an appropriate balance between tangible items and meaningful communications pieces, and focus on current institutional and prospective student audiences. The Identity Initiative carries a previously approved 2010-12 budget of $600,500.

The Council also received an update on the Division III social media plan (i.e., Division III Face book page). The primary target audience of the page is current, former and prospective student-athletes and the secondary audience is athletics administrators, coaches and the general public. The page will educate target audiences on the student-athlete experience, serve as an integration tool for many sources of Division III information, and enhance dialogue around the Identity Initiative.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(c) Drug Education and Testing.

Management Council. The Council 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 educational program shall focus on effectively partnering with the student-affairs and coaches communities, and shall prioritize alcohol abuse as the most significant substance issue in the division.

To support this recommendation, the committee has charged the staff with developing a specific implementation strategy for consideration on its July teleconference. The plan should include educational modules, a framework for campus-based drug testing, and options for fund distribution.

During the 2011 Convention, the membership had the opportunity to discuss four questions related to its drug education and testing pilot: 1) Retain status quo championships testing program; 2) Enhance educational programming; 3) Establish an academic year, division-wide mandatory

drug testing program; and 4) Allocate funds for institutions or conferences to implement their own testing program as part of a more comprehensive deterrence program (e.g., Conference Grant Program). The membership endorsed all but the establishment of a mandatory drug testing program.

The recommended drug education and testing strategy is sensitive to the needs of local campuses and the Division III philosophy – specifically of treating student-athletes the same as the general student body, and integrating athletics into general campus operations. The resulting implementation strategy must be sensitive to the staffing constraints that exist on Division III campuses, and emphasize programming with a proven record of success.

The 2012-14 budget should include a specific allocation to support an enhanced drug education and testing program. Student-athletes will continue to be subject to drug testing at NCAA championships, while also receiving education and potential additional testing tailored to local campus needs.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(d) Academic Reporting Pilot.

Management Council. The Council approved maintaining the pilot's original timeline: completing the pilot in summer 2011, conducting division-wide discussion at the 2012 Convention, and considering legislation, if warranted, at the 2013 Convention.

The division has completed the first year of a two year academic reporting pilot and a status report was presented to the membership at the 2011 Convention. Based on the year-one pilot experience, the committee did not see any compelling reason to amend the program's original timeline.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(e) Division III Expense Pilot ("Dashboard Indicators").

Management Council. The Council approved the development of a financial dashboard indicator pilot program. Plans are to launch the pilot in fall 2011 and present a preliminary report of findings at the 2012 Convention.

A dashboard indicator system uses athletics financial data to provide presidents with accurate, timely and relevant information to benchmark an institution's athletics financial situation with a self-defined set of peer institutions as well as national and conference groups of schools. It is a research-based approach to financial reporting that provides graphic comparisons of the annual financial picture of an institution's athletics program, highlighting trends over time. It can also serve as an early warning system to indicate emerging issues in an athletics program. It can serve as a catalyst for communication and education among presidents, chief financial officers and athletics departments. It also has the potential to promote the Division III attributes of proportion, comprehensive learning and responsibility.

Division I currently requires all institutions to submit data for inclusion in the dashboard system, and DII offers optional reporting, which yields near 100 percent participation. Participation in the Division III program would remain voluntary. Proposed indicators in the Division III pilot include non-financial (number of sponsored sports, proportion of student-athletes to undergraduate enrollees and the student-body federal graduation rate), and financial (total and itemized expenditures) indicators.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(f) NCAA GOALS Report.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee a review of any GOALS findings related to time pressures (e.g., missed class time, contest limits and etc.), including issues specific to baseball.

GOALS is a study of approximately 20,000 current student-athletes that was conducted during spring 2010 and focused on recruitment and college choice, ethical leadership issues, and student-athlete time demands. Preliminary results appear to be very supportive of the Division III athletics model. While the committee will continue to consider implications of the survey results, its preliminary analysis indicates that the academic and well-being issues found in baseball warrant immediate consideration by the governance structure.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(g) NCAA Performance Management Scorecard.

Management Council. The Council endorsed the following components for inclusion in a 2011-12 Division III performance management scorecard:

i. Division III Identity Initiative: What programs and resources should be implemented during 2011-12 to support the division's identity initiative, consistent with the division's Strategic Positioning Platform?

Key metrics:

- Purchase or procurement of activation resources by institutions and conferences during 2010-11, including percent of participation and percent of budget spent.
- Percent of schools and conferences displaying Division III "lockup logo" on their athletics websites as direct link to Division III public webpage.
- Percent of schools and conferences with formal activation of Special Olympics partnership.
- Number of articles submitted by membership for posting on Division III public website. Track monthly.
- Number of media articles focusing on the Division III identity and story in markets where Division III "media tours" have occurred.

Drill down data should include the 2011 Faculty Athletics Representative Survey, relevant GOALS/SCORE data, and a possibly survey regarding utility of toolkits and other supporting resources (e.g., constituent Power Points).

ii. Presidential Leadership: Does a sufficient amount of presidential leadership exist within each Division III voting conference?

Key metrics:

- 2010 informal survey of conference commissioners.
- 2011 formal "audit" regarding conference presidential leadership.
- Presidents Advisory Group (PAG) appointments.
- PAG and Convention attendance.

Drill down data should include input from informal follow-up discussions with PAG members and selected presidents and commissioners.

iii. Academic Reporting: Should the Presidents Council sponsor legislation to establish an annual, division-wide academic reporting process focusing on graduation rates [e.g., federal rate and Academic Success Rate (ASR)]?

Key metrics:

- Existing Division III data from annual federal reports (i.e., general student body).
- General student body and student-athlete data from Division III Academic Reporting Pilot.
- Relevant data from Divisions I and II.

Drill down data should include rates by sport, rate distribution curve, institutional variance distribution curve, GOALS/SCORE data.

iv. Alcohol and Drug Education and Testing: Should the Division III governance structure develop and fund significant, multi-level and multi-platform educational resources and programming to enhance the knowledge and behavior of student-athletes and other key constituents related to alcohol and other drugs?

Key metrics:

- 2007-09 Division III Drug Education and Testing Pilot results.
- Results of periodic NCAA study on substance use.
- Results of the Division III championships drug testing program.
- Round table feedback from 2011 Division III Convention Issues Forum.

Drill down data should include data from non-NCAA programs and studies (e.g., NASPA).

The staff has developed and the NCAA Executive Committee has endorsed a performance management scorecard to enhance accountability, improve results, and demonstrate the value of national office programs and services to the membership. The scorecard is designed to help the Association focus on its priorities by providing information that is helpful in decision-making and broad oversight of each division. The identified Division III metrics cover the four priority areas facing the division in 2011-12, consistent with the division's strategic plan.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

b. Management Council Subcommittees.

Staff Liaisons: **Davey, Nesbitt**

Council Reps: Ching, Downes, Harris

(1) Academic Issues Subcommittee.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: **Brooks, Oakes**

Council Reps: Downes, Gunning, Hathorn, Robert, Rupert

(2) Subcommittee for Legislative Relief.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: **Myers, Nesbitt**

Council Reps: Ching, Harris, Khan, Klika, Martin, Meyer, Nelson

(3) Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee.

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – Playing and Practice Seasons - Reorganization**.

  Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17 such that all standard provisions appear in the general regulations section while the sport specific sections are limited to provisions that are applicable only to that particular sport.

  Reorganizing Bylaw 17 in this manner reduces redundancies and clarifies the legislative similarities and differences between sports. While initially it may take the user some time to become more comfortable with the new organization, ultimately, this revision results in a more user friendly format. This format succinctly sets forth sport specific legislative differences while more clearly indicating those legislative provisions that are universally applicable. While this is primarily a reorganization of the existing Article 17 there are a few substantive changes necessary to effectuate greater consistency between sports. Those changes include: (1) Making the contest exemption for a foreign team in the United States the same in basketball as it is in all the other sports. Currently, basketball has an additional requirement that the contest takes place in the institution's home arena, while no other sport includes that requirement. (2) Allowing basketball to use the once in four year exemption for contests played in Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico; and (3) Eliminating the reference to nontraditional segment for winter sports and defining the playing season in more relevant and consistent terms for the winter sports.

  Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Division III Committees.

(1) Championships Committee.

Staff Liaisons: **Gentry, Suscha, Williams**

Council Reps: Downes, Martin, Nelson

(a) Bylaw 31.3.2.1.4 Automatic Qualification – Core Institution.

Management Council. Sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention requiring that institutions be core in only one conference for purposes of automatic qualification; and further, that the existing umbrella conference (i.e., Middle Atlantic, Commonwealth and Freedom Conferences) be permitted to retain its current structure.

Requiring that institutions be core in only one conference would establish stability in conference membership and require institutions to think more strategically about alignments other than for the purpose of acquiring championships automatic qualification. In addition, the core designation could be used to assign accountability for conference requirements and benefits (e.g., grant money, voting privileges, SAAC representation and Conference Self-Study Guide). The bylaw amendment would eliminate the possibility of the "umbrella" conference model since it would not be possible for an institution to be considered core in both the umbrella conference and one of the sub-conferences.

The Council noted that this proposal should be one in a package that also examines the benefits and obligations of conference membership. See also the Membership Committee's information item on page 23.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor the proposal for the 2012 Convention.

(b) Ground Transportation Pilot Program.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the Championships Committee received a report from the NCAA travel staff regarding the ground transportation pilot program with Go Ground Options. The goals of the program are cost savings, ensuring that all vendors meet the new safety standards and service to the membership. For the sports included in the pilot program during the fall championships season (i.e., Divisions I, II and III football and Division I women's volleyball), the NCAA realized savings of approximately 33 percent based on 2009-10 ground transportation costs. Some challenges (e.g., delays in communication, mechanical issues) were identified during the fall championships, and these issues are being addressed. The pilot program will be extended to the winter and spring championships seasons

and include Divisions II and III men's and women's basketball; NIT postseason; Divisions I and III men's and women's ice hockey; Divisions I, II and III baseball; Divisions I, II and III men's and women's lacrosse; and Divisions I, II and III softball. If the pilot program continues successfully and cost savings continue, the pilot program will be extended to all team sports in 2011-12 and the NCAA travel staff will consider adding individual-team sports. Institutions are encouraged to utilize Go Ground Options during the regular season to benefit from NCAA discounts. The travel staff is hopeful that by 2012-13, some of the cost savings from the ground transportation program can be used to cover local transportation costs for championship participants that are not reimbursed under the current travel policies.

The Management Council discussed the difficulties experienced by Council members who participated in the pilot. The Council requested that the national office produce mid-year reports and follow up on the challenges that occurred. The Council also requested the pilot analysis acknowledge the relationship between regular and post-season bookings, and how changes in gas prices will impact the savings accrued in this program. The Council directed the staff to ensure that pilot participant feedback goes back to the championships committee and subsequently gets reported to the Management Council.

Also related to the pilot analysis, the Council requested that the Championships Committee consider the impact of the pilot on removing the ground transportation funding that had previously been a source of discretionary funds for institutions that have not needed the entire $2,500 allowance for bussing, but that have needed additional funds to cover hotel and meal expenses. It was noted that the previous ground transportation allowance helped make the championships experience affordable for institutions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Sport Committee Appointments.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee approved the following sport committee appointments. All appointments will be effective September 1, 2011, unless otherwise noted.

- Division III Baseball Committee. Midwest region: Corey Borchardt, commissioner, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference.
- Division III Men's Basketball Committee (two vacancies). South region: Chris Gage, director of athletics, University of Texas at Dallas. Mid-Atlantic region: Steven Ulrich, commissioner, Centennial Conference.

- Division III Women's Basketball Committee. Reappoint Suzanne Helfant, women's basketball coach, Kenyon College.
- Division III Football Committee. Immediate vacancy replacing Shawn McIntrye (interim replacement for deployed committee member Clayton Hendrick-Holmes): Marc Klaiman, head football coach, Anna Maria College.
- Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee. South Atlantic region: Brooke Diamond, head women's lacrosse coach, Washington and Lee University.
- Division III Men's Soccer Committee. Great Lakes region: Chris Brown, head men's soccer coach, Kenyon College. West region: Howard Patterson, vice president for student affairs, University of Texas at Tyler.
- Division III Women's Soccer Committee. Reappoint Suzette Soboti, head women's soccer coach, University of Redlands. [NOTE: This reappointment is a result of Ms. Soboti having to step down from the committee in 2009 due to regional alignment.] Immediate vacancy replacing Sean Sullivan – South Atlantic region: Brianne Weaver, senior woman administrator/head women's soccer coach, St. Mary's College of Maryland.
- Division III Softball Committee. East region: Lori Mazza, director of athletics, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford.
- Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee (two vacancies). Kim Bierwert, head swimming and diving coach/assistant director of athletics, Smith College. Kenneth Andrews, commissioner, Middle Atlantic Conferences.
- Division III Men's Tennis Committee. West region: Christopher Bizot, head tennis coach, University of Texas at Tyler.
- Division III Women's Tennis Committee. Atlantic South Region: Becky Cecere, head men's and women's tennis coach, Penn State Harrisburg.
- Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee (two vacancies). Great Lakes region: Paul Sargent, head men's and women's cross country/track and field coach, Franklin College. Midwest region: Mahesh Narayanan, head women's cross country coach/assistant women's track and field coach, North Central College.
- Division III Men's Volleyball Committee (four immediate appointments). East region: Louise McCleary, director of athletics, Elms College; and Charlie Sullivan, head men's volleyball coach, Springfield College. West region: Jose Pina, head men's volleyball coach, New York University; and Gary Williams, associate athletics director, Carthage College. Reappoint Jose Pina, head men's volleyball coach, New York University. [Note: Given that the men's volleyball committee is new, the terms of the inaugural committee members are staggered to maintain a

balanced rotation schedule. Mr. Pina's initial term will expire September 1, 2011.]

- Division III Wrestling Committee. Grant a one-year term extension to Jeff Swenson, Augsburg College, due to the committee losing three of its four members. [NOTE: The committee recommends that the individual who replaces Mr. Swenson in September 2012 be appointed for a three-year team to maintain a balanced term rotation schedule for the committee.]
- Baseball Rules Committee. Bob Quinn, director of athletics, Loras College.
- Men's Basketball Rules Committee. Ed Silva, head men's basketball coach, Elms College.
- Women's Lacrosse Rules Committee. Paula Habel, head lacrosse coach, Allegheny College.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Hartung, Myers, Nesbitt

Council Rep: Rupert

(2) Financial Aid Committee.

(a) Referral to the Committee on Infractions – Public Disclosure of Secondary Financial Aid Violations.

Management Council. Referred to the Committee on Infractions consideration of granting enforcement staff the discretion to publicly disclose any violation regarding consideration of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance within the student financial aid awarding process, even if such violation is deemed secondary. Such disclosure would be implemented for the 2011-12 Reporting Cycle.

Discovery of violations involving the inclusion of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance in the student financial aid awarding process has remained constant through past reporting cycles with 46 institutions referred to enforcement. The vast majority of these violations are processed as secondary as they have been isolated or inadvertent and have not resulted in a recruiting advantage. The committee noted that many of these violations could have been avoided if the institution reviewed its awarding policies for compliance with NCAA legislation. Public reprimand, as a potential sanction for violations such as these, would provide incentive for institutions to ensure their policies comply with NCAA bylaws. Based on these unique circumstances and the paramount importance of financial aid compliance for Division III, the committee requests that the Committee on Infractions and enforcement staff review the policy regarding public disclosure of secondary violations, and grant deference to the enforcement staff and committee to use public disclosure as a potential sanction for Bylaw 15 secondary violations.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council issued a directive to the Committee on Infractions that it use existing legislative authority, when appropriate, to publicly disclose secondary violations as described in this recommendation.

(b) Financial Aid Reporting Process – Level II Reviews.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report noting that the Financial Aid Committee conducted Level II review of 36 institutions. These institutions were forwarded to a Level II review because the Level I review yielded information that pointed to advantages for student-athletes in financial aid packaging. The Level II review permits institutions the opportunity to submit written justification for its policies and procedures that pointed to the perceived advantage.

When conducting a Level II review, the committee may make the following decisions: (a) take no further action during the reporting cycle; (b) take no further action during the reporting cycle on the condition that the institution will be reviewed during the next reporting cycle; (c) request additional information; or (d) refer the institution to NCAA enforcement.

Of the 36 reviews, the committee decided: (1) for 22 institutions, to take no further action during this reporting cycle; (2) for 3 institutions, to take no further action during this reporting cycle on the condition that those institutions will be reviewed during the next reporting cycle; and (3) refer 11 institutions to enforcement along with recommended penalties. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Financial Aid Reporting Process – Findings and Review Results 2005-06 through 2009-10.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that between 2005-06 and 2009-10, the committee completed a Level I, or cursory review, of 151 institutions, or approximately 34 percent of the membership. During that same time span, 112 cases (approximately 25 percent of the membership) have been forwarded to the Level II Review where the policies and procedures for administering student financial aid and their impact are assessed for compliance with Bylaw 15. Violations of Bylaw 15 have been discovered at 50 schools over this time period as a result of the financial aid reporting program.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Cooper, Elworth

Council Rep: Gunning

(3) Committee on Infractions.

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

Management Council. The Management Council ratified an enforcement policy and procedure to revise Bylaw 32.1.1 (Confidentiality).

Amend Bylaw 32.1.1 as follows:

32.1.1 Confidentiality

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.

The current language of Bylaw 32.1.1 could be construed to mean that confidentiality applies only to cases "under inquiry by the enforcement staff." This revision expands the requirement for confidentiality to not only include cases which have moved past the enforcement staff inquiry (investigation) stage to the point where they are under consideration by the Committee on Infractions (post hearing) and/or the Infractions Appeals Committee (if appealed).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) NCAA Bylaw 32.3.8 – Limited Immunity.

Management Council. The Management Council ratified an enforcement policy and procedure to revise Bylaw 32.3.8 (Limited Immunity).

Amend Bylaw 32.3.8 as follows:

32.3.8 Limited Immunity.

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 declasred 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 inter-collegiate 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.

The intent of the limited immunity legislation was to encourage at-risk student-athletes and athletics department employees to assist the enforcement staff in obtaining full and complete information. In today's recruiting environment, it is often the parents or third parties who possess critical knowledge or evidence that would be relevant to the investigation. In some instances, these individuals not under the jurisdiction of the NCAA may want to cooperate and share information, but due to potential eligibility consequences for the student-athlete, they choose not to assist with the investigation by sharing important information. The ability to grant immunity to a student-athlete in certain circumstances for information reported by another individual will assist the enforcement staff in the development of full information.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) NCAA Bylaw 32.8.8.3 – Posthearing Committee Deliberations - Imposition of Penalty.

Management Council. The Management Council ratified an enforcement policy and procedure to revise Bylaw 32.8.8.3 Imposition of Penalty.

Amend Bylaw 32.8.8.3 as follows:

32.8.8.3 Imposition of Penalty.

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-case restriction, to further disciplinary action by the Committee on Infractions.**

The modification makes it clear that institutions and/or individuals previously involved in infractions cases for which penalties and/or show-cause provisions have been imposed are subject to further disciplinary actions should they not adhere to the conditions and requirements of the sanctions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Financial Aid Major Infractions Cases and Allegations of Failure to Monitor or Institutional Control.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that from the initial adoption of financial aid regulations (1979) through the present day, Division III member institutions continue to be responsible for ensuring that financial aid is administered in a consistent manner and in compliance with NCAA Bylaw 15. At the 2004 Convention, the Division III membership adopted legislation, with an August 1, 2005, effective date, which currently requires institutions to report financial aid packages for students and student-athletes who are freshmen and transfers. This reporting process has been a requirement for more than six years, which has provided a sufficient amount of time for the membership to receive education of the legislation's implementation, expectations and impact.

The Division III Committee on Infractions has processed five cases forwarded from the Division III Financial Aid Committee over a three-year period involving Bylaw 15. The enforcement staff has exercised its discretion and has not included allegations of an institution's failure to monitor or a lack of institutional control in these cases, mostly because the enforcement staff concluded that it seemed appropriate to exercise discretion in allowing time for the membership to understand and respond to the expectations and impact of violations of the legislation

that were detected by the Division III Financial Aid Committee. The enforcement staff hoped that the major infractions cases processed by the Division III Committee on Infractions would serve as notice that member institutions should strengthen their efforts to ensure compliance with the financial aid legislation.

Unfortunately, the enforcement staff has advised the Division III Committee on Infractions that it anticipates that the Division III Financial Aid Committee will forward additional, potentially major cases for the Division III Committee on Infractions' review.

In light of the information noted above, the enforcement staff has shared with the Division III Committee on Infractions that it will begin to carefully scrutinize future financial aid cases to determine if it is appropriate to include an allegation of failure to monitor and/or a lack of institutional control. Additionally, the enforcement staff has advised the Division III Committee on Infractions that it intends to share this information with the membership (e.g., Regional Compliance Seminars, Division III Monthly Update).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Dantzler, Smith, Walters

Council Reps: Antonucci, Baldridge

(4) Infractions Appeals Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Membership Committee

Staff Liaisons: Davey, Orr

Council Rep: Robert

(a) Modification of Wording – NCAA Convention Attendance.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept a modification of wording that clarifies that an institutional voting delegate must be present at the NCAA Division III business session in order to meet the legislated attendance requirement.

The current legislation specified that an institution may satisfy the NCAA Convention attendance requirement through representation by a 'voting delegate.' This language suggests that the institution will have satisfied the legislated attendance requirement if a conference representative casts the institution's vote, as permitted in NCAA Constitution 5.1.3.4 (certification and voting of delegates). However, such a scenario

does not comply with the intent and rationale of the Convention attendance legislation. The NCAA Division III Membership Committee noted the attendance requirement may only be satisfied if an institutional staff member attends the Division III business session and casts a vote.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Noncontroversial Legislation – Establishment and Compliance with Division Criteria – Noncompliance and the Enforcement Process – Authority of the Membership Committee.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to clarify the Membership Committee has the jurisdiction to impose any penalties for membership requirements that are discovered during the enforcement process and will notify the NCAA enforcement staff and the NCAA Division III Committee on Infractions of any action taken.

During the enforcement process, it may be discovered that an active Division III institution is not meeting membership requirements (e.g., minimum sports sponsorship). The committee has the authority to impose penalties when an institution does not meet one or more membership requirements. This recommendation will clarify that when it is discovered during the enforcement process that an institution is not meeting membership requirements, it shall be the Membership Committee that has jurisdiction to impose any penalties and that it will notify the NCAA enforcement staff and the Committee on Infractions of any action taken.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Constitution 3.2.4.15.3 (Waiver) – NCAA Convention Attendance Waiver Requests.

Management Council. The Council approved the following waiver requests for the 2011 NCAA Convention attendance requirement per Constitution 3.2.4.15.3 (waiver):

- Keystone College;
- University of Maine, Farmington;
- State University College at Oneonta;
- Rhode Island College;
- U.S. Merchant Marine Academy; and
- Waynesburg University.

The committee recognized that the aforementioned institutions cast their votes through their respective conferences. Further, the institutions were unable to attend due to extraordinary weather conditions, personal hardships or a combination of both factors.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Constitution 3.2.4.15 (Convention and Regional Rules Seminar Attendance) – Northeast Regional Compliance Pilot.

Management Council. The Council approved attendance at the Northeast compliance seminar pilot as a means of satisfying the NCAA Regional Rules Seminars attendance requirement.

The committee reviewed a request from eight Northeast conferences to conduct a compliance seminar at one of their member institutions on a biennial basis, beginning in spring 2012. The request also sought to use the Northeast compliance seminar toward the once-in-three-years legislative requirement to attend the NCAA Regional Rules Seminars.

The committee voted to approve a pilot compliance seminar during the 2011-12 academic year for the purpose of gathering additional information to determine whether a Division III-specific compliance seminar(s) is feasible on a more permanent basis. The committee cited a number of criteria, including but not limited to the following:

- Impact on the NCAA Regional Rules Seminars;
- Impact on National Association of Division III Athletic Administrators (NADIIIAA) summer forum;
- NCAA strategic initiative conference grant funds use;
- NCAA staff impact;
- Division III membership impacted;
- Cost;
- Length and structure of sessions; and
- Administrative challenges.

Further, the committee committed to reviewing additional compliance-based educational models at its next in-person meeting. The proximity of the pilot to Northeast Division III institutions should reduce travel costs for these institutions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Continental Volleyball Conference – Single-Sport Conference Application – Constitution 3.3.3.2 (election).

Management Council. The Council approved election of the Continental Volleyball Conference to active Division III single-sport conference status.

The single-sport conference demonstrated presidential oversight, complete and detailed constitution and bylaws and has at least six active member institutions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Franciscan University of Steubenville – Sports-Sponsorship Requirements – Waiver Request of NCAA Division III Bylaw 20.11.3 (Sports Sponsorship) per Bylaw 20.11.3.4.1.

Management Council. The Council conditionally approved a sports-sponsorship waiver request of NCAA Division III Bylaw 20.11.3 (sports sponsorship) for Franciscan University of Steubenville for the 2011-12 academic year per Bylaw 20.11.3.4.1 (waiver). Specifically, the institution will be permitted to designate men's rugby as a sport that may be used to meet the division sports sponsorship criteria. The waiver is contingent on the institution providing an update to the committee of adherence to its institutional plan not later than December 15, 2011.

The committee noted that while Franciscan would be compliant with the total number of sport offerings (i.e., six sports for males and six sports for females) in the 2011-12 academic year, the institution would be deficient one team sport in the three team sports requirement for males without a waiver. The committee noted that sponsorship of men's rugby continues to afford student-athletes participation opportunities despite the sport not satisfying the legislated requirements to count.

Further, the committee recognized the institution's commitment to sponsor rugby at the same competitive and participatory level as an NCAA championship sport (e.g., maximum contest requirements). Therefore, the institution should be permitted to use the sport to count toward its three team sports for males' requirement. The committee also noted Franciscan's plan to sponsor a full NCAA championship sports athletics program and be compliant with sports-sponsorship requirements in the 2012-13 academic year and thereafter.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) NCAA Membership Inquiries.

Management Council. The Council endorsed committee proposed educational models and concepts and approved forwarding the models to appropriate Association-wide groups.

At its recent meetings, including a joint meeting with the NCAA Division II Membership Committee, the Membership Committee discussed how to enhance the NCAA membership inquiry process. Institutions that are currently interested in joining the NCAA or reclassifying to another division learn about the respective divisions through resources developed by division-specific NCAA staff. There currently are no specific documents or resource tools available to directly compare the divisions. The committee recognized a need to create a comprehensive tool(s) to assist institutions in analyzing membership requirements and expectations to aid in the strategic planning process. Proposed tools have been forwarded to the Executive Committee's Working Group on Membership Issues for consideration (these include dashboard comparisons, video-based modules, and enhanced staff support).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(h) NCAA Constitution 3.3 (Member Conference) – Core.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee reviewed the Championships Committee's recommendation that an institution should count as core in only one conference for automatic qualification purposes and similarly endorsed the concept for membership purposes. The committee noted that although the fiscal aspects of an umbrella conference may be attractive, permitting the umbrella model minimizes the philosophical aspects of conference affiliation and leads institutions to make decisions based less on affinity and more on the ability to procure automatic qualification.

The committee will review conference membership requirements and benefits and propose any legislative change necessary to support the Championships Committee's recommendation to limit an institution to being core in only one conference, and to bring consistency to the expectations and benefits associated with conference membership.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(i) Sports-Sponsorship Audit.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the 2010-11 sports-sponsorship audit did not produce finding that any institutions that were in violation of sports-sponsorship requirements for the 2009-10 academic year. This is the first year the Membership Committee conducted a sports-sponsorship audit that has not resulted in the need for a waiver.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(j) University of New Orleans – Reclassification Status.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the Membership Committee acknowledged the university's intent to pursue Division II membership and its concurrent failure to comply with Division III reclassification standards. Specifically, certain elements of the reclassification process have not been met and cannot be rectified as noted in their plan. The Membership Committee noted that although the institution's current intent is to pursue Division II membership, it is still responsible for the timeline associated with its Division III reclassification, should it desire to return to that process.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(k) New York City College of Technology – Penalty Status – Athletics Program Assessment.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee reviewed the institution's most recent submission of its athletics program assessment per the terms of its restricted membership status, a penalty assessed for two years of failure to meet sports-sponsorship requirements. The institution submitted its original assessment in May 2010, which the committee deemed inadequate. The institution resubmitted its assessment in December 2010, and the committee again noted its failure to thoroughly address the assessment questions. The committee recommended the institution be granted an additional opportunity to complete the assessment in accordance with committee guidance. In order to ensure the institution is fully aware of the committee's concerns regarding the assessment and the potential implications of a loss of active member status, a president and athletics direct report from the committee agreed to speak with their peers at City Tech.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Tufano

Council Rep: Hoeg

(6) Nominating Committee.

(a) Committee appointments.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following committee appointments. Terms begin September 1, 2011:

i. Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. Melinda Larson, head athletics trainer, Whitworth University.

ii. Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee. Rahsaan Carlton, director of athletics, Penn State Harrisburg.

iii. Division III Nominating Committee. (June 1, 2011, replacement of Christopher Walker) Dennis Leighton, faculty athletics representative, University of New England.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(b) 2012 Convention presentation.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Convention-Planning Subcommittee a recommendation that 2012 Convention programming include a presentation on the demographics and nominations history of Division III athletics administrators and coaches to illustrate the challenges related to meeting ethnic minority representational requirements in Division III committee nominations.

The Nominating Committee received a presentation by the NCAA research staff of the demographic breakdown of possible committee nominees. The committee noted that the lack of ethnic minority nominees creates challenges in forming diverse committee compositions (and meeting minimum legislative requirements). Due to the importance of promoting quality committee nominations, these data and challenges should be highlighted in a full membership forum.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Davey, Montgomery, Wright

Council Reps: Glass, Khan,

(7) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Ghiloni, Groddy

Council Rep: Gunning

(8) Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Huchthausen, Myers

Council Rep: Beron

(9) Interpretations and Legislative Committee (ILC).

(a) Noncontroversial Legislation – Eligibility – Full-Time Enrollment – Requirement for Practice and Competition – Exception - Cooperative Educational Work Experience.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to permit a student-athlete to practice and represent the certifying institution in intercollegiate athletics while he or she is enrolled in a cooperative educational work experience program (e.g., co-op, internship, practicum, student teaching) offered by the institution that is a required part of the student's academic program, provided the student is considered to be enrolled in a full-time program of studies, regardless of the credit value of the program.

The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee (ILC) reviewed a Division I proposal that creates a legislative exception for a circumstance that previously required a waiver. ILC noted the proposal's rationale to eliminate bureaucracy for a situation that is typically waived through the appropriate Division I waiver process given the academic requirement of these programs. The committee learned that the NCAA Division III Management Council Subcommittee on Academic Issues also grants these waivers if required as part of the student's academic program and often grants waivers for nonrequired programs if the institution can demonstrate that the program is recommended and/or common for the field of study or profession. As a result, the committee agreed that establishing legislation to permit schools to manage this for required programs would also eliminate bureaucracy in Division III and that a waiver directive for nonrequired programs would clarify and reduce the burden on schools submitting waivers in these circumstances.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Noncontroversial Legislation – Recruiting – Unofficial Visit - Entertainment/Tickets – General Restrictions – Nontraditional Family.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to permit an institution to provide complimentary admissions to a home athletics event to a prospective student-athlete and

his or her parents, guardian(s), spouse or individual of a comparable relationship during an unofficial visit.

The committee reviewed a Division I proposal that permits an institution to provide additional complimentary admissions to a prospective student-athlete who is a member of a nontraditional family (e.g., divorce, separation) during an official visit. The committee noted current Division III legislation regarding complimentary admissions for official visits already provides flexibility for these situations while the legislation for unofficial visits does not. Therefore, the committee believes it is appropriate to amend the unofficial visit legislation to be similar to that for official visits.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Noncontroversial Legislation – Awards, Benefits and Expenses - Participation Awards – Maximum Value of Award – Increase to Maximum Values.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to increase the limitation on the maximum value of the annual participation award for a senior by $100 and to increase the limitation on the maximum value for all other participation awards by $50, as specified.

The committee reviewed a Division I proposal that increased the award limits as specified. In its review, the committee noted the award limits have not increased since 2006 and due to inflation, particularly in the market rate for gold; it has become more difficult to provide the same or similar awards to student-athletes. The committee noted that while all institutions may not approach the dollar limit, the rate of inflation should not restrict those who wish to provide certain awards that may be traditional marks of recognition (e.g., rings). Furthermore, the committee noted the inequity among the divisions if Division III does not increase the limits in a similar manner.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Noncontroversial Legislation – Amateurism – Preferential Treatment – Exception – Designation of Fundraising Money – Prospective Student-Athletes.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to establish an exception that would permit the designation of funds raised through fundraisers for individuals prior to initial, full-time collegiate enrollment, provided the amount raised does not exceed actual and necessary expenses.

The committee considered whether to extend the exception for the designation of funds in institutional fundraising activities to prospective student-athletes. The committee expressed concern for how the current rule applies to prospective student-athletes. Given the nature of youth sports and the prevalence of fundraising activities at all levels of the youth sports structure, the committee noted the likelihood that numerous student-athletes and institutions have not been properly applying the legislation. Furthermore, the committee noted it was unfair for prospective student-athletes and their families to have sufficient knowledge and education on the current rules in this area and, even if they were aware, it would be difficult and expensive to follow. The committee noted the current rule also places institutions in a difficult position to effectively and consistently monitor the rule.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Noncontroversial Legislation – Eligibility – Full-Time Enrollment – Requirement for Practice – Waiver – U.S. Olympic Committee/National Governing Body – Former Student-Athlete at Another Institution – Individual Sports and Women's Rowing.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to specify that in individual sports and women's rowing, in a case in which the U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body in the sport has recommended the individual's participation, to permit a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining to participate in organized practice sessions at an institution other than the one he or she previously attended.

The committee reviewed the legislative changes made recently in Divisions I and II noting the new rule in both divisions permit a former student-athlete greater flexibility if he or she is training for elite-level competition in an area that is not close to the institution from which he or she graduated. The committee noted this flexibility is reasonable and should be afforded to Division III student-athletes in the same manner as their Divisions I and II counterparts.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Modification of Wording – Playing and Practice Seasons and Eligibility – Wrestling – First Date of Practice and Competition and No Outside Competition Between Beginning of Academic Year and November 1.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept a modification of wording to specify that a wrestling student-athlete shall not practice

with an outside team prior to October 10 and shall not participate in outside competition (on a team or as an individual) prior to November 1.

The committee reviewed the history of Proposal No. 2011-12 and noted the final version of the proposal did not include part of the original recommendation that the same date restrictions apply to a student-athlete's participation in outside competition (on a team or as an individual). Since the intent was for all three divisions to be the same regarding practice and competition start dates, the committee believed it was appropriate to modify the legislation in accordance with the written history of the recommendation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) Modification of Wording – Amateurism – Promotional Activities – Permissible – Prospective Student-Athlete's Participation in Institutional Fundraisers or Promotions.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept a modification of wording that would eliminate the language in NCAA Division III Bylaw 12.5.1.1.7 (prospective student-athlete's participation in institutional fundraisers or promotions) regarding participation prior to initial full-time collegiate enrollment.

The committee noted the wording in Bylaw 12.5.1.1.7 restricts a prospective student-athlete from participating in an institutional fundraiser until he or she initially enrolls. The committee observed that the intent of the wording was not to prohibit an individual from being involved with an institutional fundraiser even after he or she was no longer considered a prospective student-athlete (e.g., reporting for squad practice). Therefore, the committee agreed a modification of wording was necessary to eliminate the confusion given the general understanding of how a prospective student-athlete and student-athlete are defined.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(h) Incorporation of Official Interpretation – Recruitment at Institution's Sports Camps and Clinics.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept an incorporation of the following official interpretation [Reference: 2/4/11, Item No. 1] into the legislation:

Recruitment at Institution's Sports Camps and Clinics (III). The NCAA Division III Management Council confirmed that institutional athletics department staff members are prohibited from engaging in recruitment activities during institutional sports camps or clinics. Nonathletics institutional staff members may present and provide general institutional information to camp participants. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.1.4.2 (practice or competition site) and 13.12.1.1 (definition), staff interpretation (4/5/89, Item No. i), which has been archived, and official interpretation (5/17/10, Item No. 3) which has been archived]

The committee believes this interpretation should be incorporated so the membership is aware of the permissible recruitment activities that can occur during institutional camps and clinics.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(i) Incorporation of Official Interpretation – Meals in Conjunction with Home Competition.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept an incorporation of the following official interpretation [Reference: 10/26/10, Item No. 19] into the legislation:

Meals in Conjunction with Home Competition (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that it is permissible for an institution to provide meals to student-athletes at the institution's discretion on the day(s) of competition until the student-athletes are released by institutional personnel. An institution shall not provide cash in lieu of a meal during this time period. An institution, at its discretion, may provide a meal or cash (but not both) to student-athletes at the time of their release by institutional personnel. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaw 16.5.1 (housing and meals -- exceptions) and an official interpretation (4/27/99, Item No. 1) which has been archived]

The committee believes this interpretation should be incorporated to so the membership is aware of the permissible meals that may be provided to student-athletes in conjunction with home competition.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(j) Incorporation of Official Interpretation – Student-Athlete May Finish Season if Attendance is Calculated to a Fraction.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept an incorporation of the official interpretation [Reference: 8/30/82, Item No. r] into the legislation:

Student-Athlete May Finish Season if Attendance is Calculated to a Fraction (II/III). Agreed that a Division II or III student-athlete may remain eligible for all of the student's final semester or quarter under the provisions of Bylaw 4-1-(b) if the combination of semesters and quarters of previous attendance leaves such student-athlete with any fraction of the 10th semester or 15th quarter of eligibility remaining at the beginning of that final semester or quarter. [Reference: Division III Bylaw 14.2.2 (10-semester/15-quarter rule)]

The committee believes the official interpretation should be incorporated into the legislation to better inform the membership on how to apply the rule in such a situation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(k) Approval of Official Interpretation – Alumna or Alumnus Participating in Occasional Practice Session with Former Institution's Team.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Alumna or Alumnus Participating in Occasional Practice Session with Former Institution's Team (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that it is permissible for an alumna or alumnus of an institution (e.g., former student-athlete) to participate in an occasional practice session with a member institution's intercollegiate athletics team, provided the institution does not publicize the participation of the former student-athlete in the practice session. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 14.1.8.1 (requirement for practice or competition), 17.02.9 (outside competition) and 17.02.10 (outside team) and an official interpretation (10/23/86, Item No. r), which has been archived]

The committee reviewed a Division I official interpretation and agreed it would be helpful to issue the same interpretation in Division III to clarify the participation of former student-athletes in practice sessions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(l) Approval of Official Interpretation – Application of NCAA Bylaw 13 to a Prospective Student-Athlete with No Reasonable Expectation of Participation in Intercollegiate Athletics.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Application of NCAA Bylaw 13 to a Prospective Student-Athlete with no Reasonable Expectation of Participation in Intercollegiate Athletics (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that the restrictions of Bylaw 13 do not apply to a prospective student-athlete who has no reasonable expectation of participating in intercollegiate athletics as a result of a disability or terminal illness. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.02.7 (prospective student-athlete), 13.2.1 (general regulation), 13.2.2 (specific prohibitions), 13.10.4 (prospective student-athlete's visit), 13.10.5 (introduction of prospective student-athlete) and 13.15.1 (precollege expenses – prohibited expenses); official interpretation (6/27/05, Item No. 3-d) and staff interpretation (2/25/10, Item No. b), which have been archived]

The committee reviewed a recent Division I official interpretation along with existing interpretations applicable to this group of individuals and agreed issuing a new interpretation would be clearer on this subject. The Council removed a provision from the Division I version of this interpretation that the institution not be recruiting any family member of the prospect with no reasonable expectation of participation. This provision was deemed to be not necessary for Division III.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(m) Approval of Official Interpretation – Institution That Does Not Require a Paid Acceptance or Financial Deposit for Admission or Financial Aid.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Institution That Does Not Require a Paid Acceptance or Financial Deposit for Admission or Financial Aid (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined it is permissible for an institution that does not require a paid acceptance or financial deposit in response to a written offer of aid or admission to use any form of communication with a prospective student-athlete after May 1 of the prospective student-athlete's senior year of high school and release publicity about a prospective student-athlete who has committed to the institution, provided the institution has received a commitment from the prospective student-athlete that is required of all incoming students. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.02.11.4 (exception – after receipt of financial deposit) and 13.10.7 (announcement of acceptance)]

The committee reviewed a Division I proposal that provides more flexibility to Division I institutions in establishing when a prospective student-athlete commits to an institution for purposes of eliminating the forms and frequency of communication between an institution and the

prospective student-athlete. The committee noted Division III recently changed its rules in this area under Proposal No. NC-2011-28. Now any form of communication with a prospective student-athlete after May 1 of the prospective student-athlete's senior year of high school is permissible, provided the institution has received a financial deposit in response to the institution's offer of admission. The committee noted that some institutions do not require a financial deposit and, therefore, are unable to take advantage of this legislation. It was also noted that a paid acceptance is also required in order to publicize a prospective student-athlete's commitment to attend the institution and that schools that do not require a paid acceptance or financial deposit are limited in this regard. The committee believed that institutions in this position should not be disadvantaged and the same flexibility should be provided at the time of receipt of the institution's required form of commitment for all students.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(n) Approval of Official Interpretation – Unearned and Earned Fundraising Monies for Institutional Fundraisers.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Unearned and Earned Fundraising Monies for Institutional Fundraisers (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that funds are considered unearned when a student-athlete participates in an institutional fundraiser that involves the use of athletics ability or a direct appeal (e.g., letter writing, telephone call campaign). Further, the committee confirmed that earned funds are the result of any fundraising activity that is not considered unearned such as working a concession stand, selling magazines or parking automobiles at an event. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaws 12.1.1.1. (exception), 12.5.1 (permissible activities – after initial, full-time collegiate enrollment), 12.5.1.1 (institutional, charitable, educational or nonprofit promotions)]

The committee reviewed the 2011 NCAA Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(o) Approval of Official Interpretation – Rate Used to Determine Amount of Designated Earned Funds.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Rate Used to Determine Amount of Designated Earned Funds (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that funds designated for a specific student-athlete through earned fundraising activities must be representative of the work, service or activity performed by the student-athlete and at a rate commensurate with the going rate for such work, service or activity in the institution's locale. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaws 12.1.1. (exception), 12.1.5.1 (permissible activities – after initial, full-time collegiate enrollment) and 12.5.1.1 (institutional, charitable, educational or nonprofit promotions)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(p) Approval of Official Interpretation – Certification of Strength and Conditioning Coaches.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Certification of Strength and Conditioning Coaches (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that a certified strength and conditioning coach who conducts voluntary workouts outside the playing season during the academic year shall maintain a current and active certification with the respective certifying organization. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 17.02.1 (athletically related activities), 17.02.1.1.1 (exceptions) and 17.02.13 (voluntary athletically related activities)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(q) Approval of Official Interpretation – Strength and Conditioning Coach Also a Sport Team Coach.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Certified Strength and Conditioning Coach Also a Sport Team Coach (IIII). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that a certified strength and conditioning coach who also

serves on a sport team coach, may conduct voluntary workouts outside the playing season during the regular academic year for student-athletes in the coach's sport, only if that coach also provides out-of-season strength and conditioning services to all student-athletes at the institution. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 17.02.1 (athletically related activities), 17.02.1.1.1 (exceptions) and 17.02.13 (voluntary athletically related activities)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(r) Approval of Official Interpretation – Voluntary Workouts Conducted by a Certified Strength and Conditioning Coach.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Voluntary Workouts Conducted by a Certified Strength and Conditioning Coach (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed the following regarding voluntary workouts conducted by a certified strength and conditioning coach:

- It is permissible for the voluntary workouts to be conducted for individuals or groups, provided the participation of each student-athlete, individually and in the group, is voluntary; and
- It is not permissible for the certified strength and conditioning coach to conduct sport-skill instruction outside the playing season, even if the individual is also a sport team coach.

[References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 17.02.1 (athletically related activities), 17.02.1.1.1 (exceptions) and 17.02.13 (voluntary athletically related activities); and an official interpretation (3/22/11, Item No. 12-a-2)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on these two questions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(s) Approval of Official Interpretation – Participation on Triathlon Team.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the following official interpretation and approved in concept its incorporation into the NCAA Division III Manual:

Participation on a Triathlon Team (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that a student-athlete shall compete in all three legs of a triathlon in order to satisfy the exception to the outside competition legislation. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaw 14.7.3 (exceptions – all sports) and an official interpretation (8/2/8/87, Item No. g)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(t) Approval of Official Interpretation – Receipt of Prize Money by Enrolled Student-Athletes in Team Sports.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Receipt of Prize Money by Enrolled Student-Athletes in Team Sports (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that it is not permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to receive prize money based on performance for participation in a team sport, even if the team is comprised of less than the normal number of players used under NCAA playing rules (e.g., two-person volleyball, three-person basketball). [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 12.1.5.1 (permissible activities – after initial, full-time collegiate enrollment), 12.1.5.2 (nonpermissible activities – after initial, full-time collegiate enrollment), 16.1.1.2.1 (exception – individual sports – prize money outside the playing season during the institution's official summer vacation period) and 17.02.12.1 (team sports)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(u) Approval of Official Interpretation – Receipt of Prize Money by Enrolled Student-Athletes in Individual Sports.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Receipt of Prize Money by Enrolled Student-Athletes in Individual Sports (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that it is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to receive prize money based on performance for participation on a team (e.g., two-person golf team, relay team in swimming and diving or track and field, double tennis team), provide the sport is considered an NCAA individual sport. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 12.1.5.1 (permissible activities – after initial, full-time collegiate enrollment), 14.7.2.6 (exempt teams), 16.1.1.2.1 (exception – individual sports – prize money outside the playing season during the institution's official summer vacation period) and 17.02.12.2 (individual sports)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(v) Approval of Official Interpretation – Definition of Open Event.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Definition of Open Event (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that an event is considered open if participants are not selected on an invitation-only basis and not classified by age group or level of educational institution represented (e.g., high school and college division). Further, the selection of participants shall not be limited except by gender, number, and geographical area or on the basis of some objective standard of performance. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 14.02.6 (intercollegiate competition), 14.7.2.5 (competition as individual/not representing institution) and 17.02.8 (intercollegiate competition); staff interpretation (2/4/87, Item No. 2-c-1) and staff interpretation (2/21/97, Item No. a)]

The committee reviewed the Convention question and answer document and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(w) Approval of Official Interpretation – Content of General Athletics Information.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Content of General Athletics Information (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that general athletics information is any information that is not a solicitation to attend the institution and does not include the name(s) of any specific prospective student-athlete. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaw 13.02.11.3 (exception – public release of general athletics information sent through electronic transmission)]

The committee reviewed feedback from the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) on this issue and agreed that the content of "general athletics information" should not be limited except to prohibit the solicitation and recruitment of prospective student-athletes. SAAC noted that traditional media content (e.g., press releases, score updates) should not be the standard by which to determine what is considered "general athletics information" in today's society given the predominate use of websites and social media platforms to communicate all types of information to the general public. In its discussion of SAAC's feedback and the overall issue, ILC agreed that the notion of traditional content and traditional methods of delivery is likely an outdated standard by which to apply legislation whose stated rationale aimed to provide flexibility for future technologies. Further, the committee agreed the value or utility of the information also cannot be used as a standard to evaluate content in today's environment. Therefore, ILC agreed with the SAAC position, including the continued prohibition on the use of social media, to target or communicate person-to-person with specific prospective student-athletes.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(x) Referral to Subcommittee on Academic Issues: Waiver Directive – Cooperative Educational Work Experience.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Subcommittee on Academic Issues a request that it consider establishing a waiver directive stating that a waiver of full-time enrollment shall be granted for student-athletes participating in a cooperative educational work experience program that is not a required element of the institution's degree program, if the request demonstrates the experience is a common or highly recommended aspect of the field of study, as documented by the institution.

In its review of a Division I proposal, the committee agreed to recommend the Management Council sponsor noncontroversial legislation to address cooperative educational work experience programs that are a required part of a degree program (See Action Item No. 1-a). In addition, the committee learned that the Subcommittee on Academic Issues often grants waivers for nonrequired programs if the institution can demonstrate that the program is recommended and/or common for the field of study or profession. As a result, the committee agreed that a waiver directive for nonrequired programs would clarify and reduce the burden on schools submitting waivers in these circumstances.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(y) Referral to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Certified Strength and Conditioning Coaches.

Management Council. The Council referred to SAAC a request that it consider the issue of whether all strength and conditioning coaches should be certified in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED), similar to the requirement for head coaches.

The committee reviewed a Division I proposal that requires Division I strength and conditioning coaches that conduct voluntary workouts to maintain certification in first aid and CPR and requires that a member of the institution's sports medicine staff be present during voluntary activities conducted by a strength and conditioning coach. With the recently adopted Division III Proposal No. 2011-7-1, only certified strength and conditioning coaches will be permitted to conduct voluntary workouts outside the playing season during the academic year. The committee observed that some organizations that offer certification for strength and conditioning coaches already require such individuals to have some form of first aid, CPR and/or AED certification, but it is unclear whether all such entities require this and whether it needs to be active at all times. Furthermore, the committee discussed the legislative requirement in Bylaw 11.1.6 (sports-safety training) for head coaches regarding first aid, CPR and AED certification and the rationale for that legislation, which was strongly supported by the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(z) Referral to the NCAA Division III Membership Committee - Division I Proposal No. 2010-103.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Membership Committee a request that it review Division I Proposal No. 2010-103 regarding a reduction of contest minimums from 10 to six in swimming and diving.

In reviewing legislative action taken in Division I, the committee believes this proposal should be referred to the Membership Committee for consideration given the Bylaw 20 (membership) implications. The committee took no position on this proposal.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(aa) Referral to the NCAA Division III Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement (SAR) – Division II Proposal No. NC-2011-24.

Management Council. The Council referred to SAR a request that it review Division II Proposal No. NC-2011-24.

The committee reviewed this Division II proposal that specifies that if a waiver of the 10-semester/15-quarter rule is granted, it must be used during the student-athlete's next available opportunity to enroll (e.g, next semester or quarter). The committee was unclear how these waivers are currently applied in Division III and, therefore, referred the issue to the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement for consideration.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(bb) Referral to the NCAA Division III Championships Committee - Division II Proposal No. ADM-2012-1.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Championships Committee a request that it review Division II Proposal No. ADM-2012-1.

The committee referred this administrative regulation regarding an increase to the maximum penalty that may be imposed for an institution's failure to adhere to published administrative procedures for the submission of regular-season results, availability questionnaires and/or entry forms, from $300 to $600, to the Championships Committee.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(cc) Referral to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Text Messaging to Prospective Student-Athletes on Club Teams.

Management Council. The Council referred to SAAC a request that it consider the use of text messaging, and other forms of communication, between institutional coaches and prospective student-athletes who are involved with the same club team for club-related matters.

The committee reviewed previous committee minutes on this issue from 2008 that center on whether the prohibition on text messaging with prospective student-athletes should apply to communication between coaches and prospective student-athletes who are involved with the same sports club team for club-related matters (e.g., practice times). It was noted that the committee originally intended to recommend noncontroversial legislation to permit this type of communication since it was outside the scope of recruitment as participation by institutional coaches and prospective student-athletes on club teams is an exception to the tryout legislation. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, however, did not support the use of text messaging under any circumstance which led to the recommendation being withdrawn. In its present review of the issue, the committee noted that despite the earlier objections by SAAC, there appears to be no legislative basis to restrict the methods of communication used by institutional coaches and club team members. Additionally, the committee noted that for practical purposes the use of text messaging has become so prevalent that it is often the only way to communicate in a timely manner with high school students and, accordingly, it was impractical to prohibit this method of communication for club-related matters. Before making a formal recommendation, however, the committee agreed to refer this to SAAC for input.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(dd) Referral to Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Transfer Exception for Student Who is Academically Ineligible but has not Used Season of Participation or Participated in Intercollegiate Athletics.

Management Council. The Council referred to SAAC a request that it review the legislation applicable to a transfer exception for a student who is academically ineligible but has not used a season of participation at a Division III school or participated in intercollegiate athletics at a non-Division III school.

The committee examined the current transfer legislation that permits a student who is academically ineligible to transfer and be immediately eligible at the certifying institution if he or she has not previously used a season of participation at a Division III institution or participated in intercollegiate athletics at a non-Division III school. The committee noted this provides an opportunity for a student to participate during the non-traditional segment at a Division III institution and transfer to another Division III institution and be immediately eligible despite being academically ineligible at the original institution. The legislation's intent and rationale place an emphasis on those students who have used a season of participation and, consequently, the committee did not wish to

add an additional barrier for transfers. The committee noted, however, that input from SAAC would be helpful in better understanding this from the student-athlete perspective; therefore, they referred the issue to them for discussion and feedback.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(ee) Referral to the Membership Committee – Counting Multiteam Events.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Membership Committee a request that it review the legislation applicable to counting multiteam events.

The committee reviewed the current legislation in Bylaw 20.11.3.8.4 (counting multiteam events in individual sports) which prescribes how multiteam events should be counted for purposes of meeting the minimum number of contests for sports-sponsorship requirements. It has come to the attention of staff through various avenues that this bylaw can be confusing and challenging to apply due to meet organizers not always being clear on the scoring method that will be used in advance of the event and, during and subsequent to the event, not always implementing the scoring method originally planned. The committee engaged in a discussion of several issues including the responsibility of institutions to work with meet organizers in advance of the event, the challenge of scheduling in certain sports (e.g., outdoor track and field) and the necessity of these events to satisfy the requirements and whether the current contest minimums are appropriate for the division. The committee questioned whether it was appropriate for the scoring method to be the determining factor as to whether a given event counted as one or two contests when two events could operate identically, but have different counting implications simply due to how they are scored. The committee agreed to refer this issue to the Membership Committee for consideration and input due to the relevancy of the issue for membership requirements.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. Association-Wide and Common Committees.

Staff Liaisons: Klossner Wilfert

Council Rep: Martinez

(1) Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (CSMAS).

(a) NCAA Bylaw 31.2.3.4 Banned Drugs.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the CSMAS has added synthetic cannabinoids to the substances that are banned under the class Street Drugs, effective August 2011. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has recently banned

possession and sale of five synthetic cannabinoids, so-called synthetic marijuana products, whose effects mirror that of tretrahy-drocannabinol (THC), the active ingredient in marijuana. Under the DEA action, the five cannabinoids will be listed as Schedule I substances, the most restrictive category, for at least a year while the government studies whether they should be permanently banned. Marijuana and THC are currently listed as NCAA banned Street Drugs. The committee has charged NCAA staff with providing education to the membership on this issue.

Further, the Management Council referred to the committee its concern about "bath salts", or the stimulant mephedrone. The committee will consider adding that substance to the NCAA's stimulant panel.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Transgender Student-Athlete Participation.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee acknowledged that the NCAA is reviewing its position on transgender student-athlete participation. The committee supports the following to provide direction to the Executive Committee regarding the participation of a transgender student-athlete as the Association continues this discussion:

i. A [trans-male] student-athlete who has received a medical exception for treatment with testosterone for diagnosed Gender Identity Disorder (GID), for 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.
ii. 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.

Presidents Council. The Council generally endorsed the transgender student-athlete participation policy as presented by the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport. The Council also expressed interest in guidance for institutions in dealing with transgender student-athletes that have not received medical treatment related to their transition.

(c) Health and Safety Research.

Management Council. The Council noted that CSMAS is currently studying three health and safety issues in Division III: the extent to which institutions have been eliminating or reducing athletic training services over time, injury data in the football spring strength and conditioning period, and the testing practices and injuries associated with the sickle cell trait.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Honors Committee.

Staff Liaison: Tufano

Council Rep: Klika

- **Increasing the number of Division II and Division III nominations.**

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee discussed the limited number of Division II and Division III nominees for all honors awards and made the following recommendations to increase nominations.

i. Contact the sports information directors and academic advisors directly to encourage nominations.
ii. Contact the Division II and Division III commissioners to encourage conferences to submit two student-athletes for consideration.
iii. Schedule a Convention presentation to educate the membership on the Honors awards and to encourage honors nominations.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC).

Staff Liaisons: Ford, Bracken, Rossello

Council Rep: Ching

(a) Confederate Battle Flag Discussion and Recommendation.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that MOIC reviewed a request from the NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues to provide feedback on a waiver request that would allow an institution within a state that is subject to the NCAA confederate flag policy to host a predetermined NCAA championship event outside of the state. The committee discussed the history and

general intent of the policy and noted that, while predetermined sites are not awarded within those states, institutions may earn the right to host nonpredetermined championship events. The committee continues to support the policy but expressed some concern regarding its application as it relates to predetermined and nonpredetermined sites. The committee noted that the policy, as written, may not preclude an institution from hosting championship events outside the state; however, there was strong support for revisiting the policy and seeking consistency of application between predetermined and non-predetermined championships.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) NCAA Committee Structure – Restructuring of NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues, NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC).

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that MOIC supports the adoption of a revised committee structure that provides a continuation of the individual efforts of CWA and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC), but allows for a formal joint committee of CWA and MOIC representatives to address overlapping areas of issue, as well as beginning to address broader issues of inclusion. This revised model also expands CWA and MOIC membership to include presidential representation from each division, which the committee supports as an important step in addressing inclusion goals for the Association.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee (OSLC).

Staff Liaisons: Calandro, Smith, Suscha

Council Rep: Ingold

- **Olympic Sports Efforts.**

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the NCAA Division I Leadership Council approved a recommendation that the NCAA national office appoint a senior leader whose duties would include the responsibility for creating collaborative strategies to prioritize and sustain Olympic sports within the collegiate structure. It was recommended that duties be added to an existing senior-level position (rather than creating a new position on the NCAA staff).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Chichester

Council Rep: Hathorn

(5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Bracken

Council Rep: Thomforde

(6) Research Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Miller, Smith

Council Rep: Ingold

(7) Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Chichester

Council Rep: Hass

(8) Walter Byers Scholarship Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Barnhart, Holzman, Morrison

Council Rep: Hoeg

(9) Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA).

(a) Transgender Student-Athlete Participation Interpretation.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that CWA supports the policy request regarding transgender student-athlete participation submitted by the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport (CSMAS) and requests that the NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues recommend adoption of similar policy by the NCAA Executive Committee.

Issues of student-athlete well-being and protection of competitive equity require an Association-wide policy that addresses transgender student-athlete participation. This request from CSMAS seeks fair opportunities for students from diverse backgrounds, while insuring that women's sports will be equitably conducted.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) NCAA Committee Structure – Restructuring of NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues, NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC).

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that CWA supports the adoption of a revised committee structure that provides a continuation of the individual efforts of CWA and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC), but allows for a formal joint committee of CWA and MOIC representatives to address overlapping areas of issue, as well as beginning to address broader issues of inclusion. This revised model also expands CWA and MOIC membership to include presidential representation from each division, which the committee supports as an important step in addressing inclusion goals for the Association.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

4. *DIVISION III INITIATIVES.*

a. Presidential Leadership.

(1) Conference Presidential Leadership Survey.

Management Council. The Council reviewed a questionnaire that will be forwarded to conference commissioners to help the Division III governance staff better assess the role of presidential leadership at the conference level. The questionnaire includes questions regarding roles, participation and expectations of their institution's presidents. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Presidential Legislative Package for the 2012 Convention.

Management Council. The Council received a referral from the Administrative Committee that it review a series of legislative concepts for potential inclusion in a presidential legislative package for the 2012 Convention. 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. The Council endorsed the following concepts for inclusion in this package:

(a) Amend the philosophy statement to emphasize that Division III athletics are primarily focused on the undergraduate educational experience in a four-year time frame.

(b) Amend the philosophy statement to clarify that initial and continuing eligibility standards are best left to institutional and conference autonomy.

(c) Solidify the division's position on playing season length by amending the philosophy statement to enumerate a commitment to supporting a student-athlete's right to meaningful participation in non-athletic pursuits as a method of enriching the overall educational experience.

(d) Designate significant financial aid regulations as division dominant, which requires a subsequent two-thirds majority vote to amend.

(e) Designate the redshirting prohibition as division-dominant.

(f) Establish key playing season legislation (such as extensions of the playing season) as division dominant.

Presidents Council. The Council endorsed the development of three 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) Express a commitment to supporting a student-athlete's right to meaningful participation in non-athletic pursuits as a method of enriching the overall educational experience.

While the Council also considered use of the division dominant voting standard for related legislative proposals, 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 of specific legislative proposals after discussing these concepts with the President's Advisory Group in August.

b. Management Council Communications Plan.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the communications plan noting a new approach implemented for the 2011 calendar year in which each Council member will work directly with the commissioners of their assigned conferences to schedule visits. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

5. PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR THE 2012 CONVENTION.

a. Review of Incorporations of Interpretations approved by the Management Council per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1.

- **Eligibility – Seasons of Participation: 10-Semester/15-Quarter Rule – Hardship Waiver – Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver – Transfer Student-Athletes.**

  Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to amend 14.2.5.2 regarding the criteria for administration of hardship waiver.

  Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Review of Noncontroversial Legislation approved by the Management Council per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1.

- **Membership Definitions and Applications – Membership Classification Status – NCAA Regional Rules Seminar Attendance – Penalty Sanction.**

  Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to specify that an institutional staff member(s) may be required to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar if the institution is placed on probation.

  Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- **Recruiting – Definitions and Application – Permissible Recruitment Activities for Enrolled Student-Athletes – Electronic Mail.**

  Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to permit enrolled student-athletes to send electronic mail to prospective student-athletes for recruitment purposes.

  Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

- **Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing – Season Regulations – General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons Applicable to all Sports – Non-NCAA Postseason Championships Participation – Emerging Sports for Women.**

  Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to specify that practice and competition for one recognized national intercollegiate championship event in an emerging sport for women are exempt from being counted against the institution's declared playing and practice season limitations.

  Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

6. *ASSOCIATION-WIDE UPDATES AND ISSUES.*

a. Executive Committee Update.

Management Council and Presidents Council. The Councils received an update of key items on the Executive Committee agenda, including the structure of NCAA committees related to inclusion, transgender student-athlete issues, the NCAA's Native American Indian mascot policy, and the Executive Committee's proposed new meeting policy. No action was necessary.

b. Litigation Update.

Management Council and Presidents Council. The Councils met the new NCAA general counsel, Donald Remy and accepted the Litigation Report. No action was necessary.

c. Governmental Relations Report.

Management Council and Presidents Council. The Councils accepted the Governmental Relations Report. No action was necessary.

d. 2011-2012 Committee Meeting Requests.

Management Council. The Council approved the Division III committee meeting requests for the 2011-12 year, granting the Championships Committee and Student-Athlete Advisory Committee the opportunity to conduct more than two in-person meetings in 2011-12.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. NCAA Violence Prevention Summit.

Management Council. The Management Council accepted the information that the NCAA conducted a Violence Prevention Summit on April 8.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

7. *OTHER BUSINESS.*

- **Management Council Policies and Procedures.**

Management Council. The Council approved the following changes to the Management Council Policies and Procedures:

- The administrative structure section was updated to describe the joint Management Council and Presidents Council subcommittee that has been established to identify key issues and evaluate potential legislative proposals that warrant Presidents Council review based on the division's philosophy, strategic plan or

Strategic Positioning Platform. The joint subcommittee is comprised of two presidents or chancellors and the two athletics direct reports from the Management Council along with representatives from the Presidents Council.

- The conflict of interest policy was updated to reflect the latest NCAA policy.
- The legislative issues section was updated to reflect the changes adopted in the 2011 Convention proposal that designated some legislative authority to the Management Council.
- The Management Council meetings section was updated to reflect the policy that all meetings except Convention will be conducted in Indianapolis.

Presidents Council. The Council approved the following changes to the Presidents Council Policies and Procedures:

- The meeting information section was updated to reflect a joint presidential meeting with the Division I Board of Directors and Division II Presidents Council prior to the start of the Division III Presidents Council meeting. Also, the Executive Committee meeting schedule was updated to reflect a meeting schedule of January and August, with meetings to be conducted the afternoon prior to the divisional presidential meetings. [Subject to final approval at the April Executive Committee meeting.]
- The administrative structure section was updated to describe the joint Management Council and Presidents Council subcommittee that have been established to identify key issues and evaluate potential legislative proposals that warrant Presidents Council review based on the division's philosophy, strategic plan or Strategic Positioning Platform. The joint subcommittee is comprised of two presidents or chancellors and the two athletics direct reports from the Management Council along with the chair and vice chair and two additional representatives from the Presidents Council.
- The conflict of interest policy was updated to reflect the latest NCAA policy.
- The legislative issues section was updated to reflect the changes adopted in the 2011 Convention proposal that designated some legislative authority to the Management Council.

8. *ADJOURNMENT.*

Management Council. The Management Council meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

MINUTES OF THE

NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE NO. 4

Those participating were James Bultman, Division III Presidents Council chair; Chris Martin, DIII Management Council chair; Jeff Martinez, Division III Management Council vice chair; Jim Schmotter, Division III Presidents Council vice chair; Chris Thomforde, Division III Management Council; Dan Dutcher, NCAA; Leah Kareti, NCAA, and Debbie Kresge, NCAA, recording secretary.

[NOTE: The following action occurred via facsimile May 10, 2011.]

Acting for the Division III Management Council and Presidents Council, the Administrative Committee approved the following recommendations:

1. Permit Husson University to create an athletics consortium with the New England School of Communications, which is a non-NCAA institution, per NCAA Constitution 3/1/2 (athletics consortium).

   The Administrative Committee noted that Husson University and the New England School of Communications have a prior, ongoing academic relationship. Further the four conferences in which Husson University is a member (i.e., the Eastern Collegiate Football Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, North Atlantic Conference; and North Eastern Athletic Conference) have approved the requested consortium arrangement.

   Approval of the consortium agreement is a student-athlete friendly action that will permit student-athletes from both institutions to participate as part of one athletics program.

2. Approve noncontroversial legislation in final format to amend Bylaw 17, as approved in concept by the Management Council during their April meeting.

   The Administrative Committee noted that the Management Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17 such that all standard provisions appear in the general regulations section while the sport specific sections are limited to provisions that are applicable. [NOTE: In order to incorporate into the 2011-12 Manual, this must be approved prior to the end of May.]

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The National Collegiate Athletic Association
May 12, 2011 DTD/LK:dsk

MINUTES OF THE

NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE NO. 5

Those participating were James Bultman, Division III Presidents Council chair; Chris Martin, DIII Management Council chair; Jeff Martinez, Division III Management Council vice chair; Jim Schmotter, Division III Presidents Council vice chair; Chris Thomforde, Division III Management Council; Dan Dutcher, NCAA; Leah Kareti, NCAA, and Debbie Kresge, NCAA, recording secretary.

[NOTE: The following action occurred via facsimile May 16, 2011.]

Acting for the Division III Management Council and Presidents Council, the Administrative Committee approved the following committee appointments for the Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. All appointments are effective immediately unless otherwise noted.

- American Southwest Conference – Dalaine Whitlock, Concordia University Texas.
- Centennial Conference – Joshua Kays, Johns Hopkins University. (September 1, 2011)
- City University of New York Athletic Conference – Jacqueline Szpunt, Brooklyn College.
- College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin – Bai Kabba, North Central College.
- Independents – Desirae Tongco, Mills College. (August 1, 2011)
- Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference – Travis Misner, Loras College.
- Little East Conference – Curtis Coleman, University of Southern Maine.
- Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association – Nathan Love, Hope College.
- The Commonwealth Coast Conference – Jacqueline Cohen, Roger Williams University.
- Upper Midwest Athletic Conference – Kelli Hamilton, University of Minnesota, Morris.

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The National Collegiate Athletic Association
May 16, 2011 DTD/LK:dsk

MINUTES OF THE

NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE NO. 6

Those participating were James Bultman, Division III Presidents Council chair; Chris Martin, DIII Management Council chair; Jeff Martinez, Division III Management Council vice chair; Jim Schmotter, Division III Presidents Council vice chair; Chris Thomforde, Division III Management Council; Dan Dutcher, NCAA; Leah Kareti, NCAA, and Debbie Kresge, NCAA, recording secretary.

[NOTE: The following action occurred via facsimile June 9, 2011.]

Acting for the Division III Management Council and Presidents Council, the Administrative Committee approved the following Presidents Council immediate appointment:

- Thomas Chema, president, Hiram College be appointed to the Division III Presidents Council to fulfill the remaining term of Ken Baker. President Baker's term is to expire at the conclusion of the January 2013 Convention. At that point, at the discretion of the Nominating Committee, President Chema would be eligible for reelection to an additional term not to exceed four years.

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The National Collegiate Athletic Association
June 9, 2011 DTD/LK:dsk

MINUTES OF THE

NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE NO. 7

Those participating were James Bultman, Division III Presidents Council chair; Chris Martin, DIII Management Council chair; Jeff Martinez, Division III Management Council vice chair; Jim Schmotter, Division III Presidents Council vice chair; Chris Thomforde, Division III Management Council; Dan Dutcher, NCAA; Leah Kareti, NCAA, and Debbie Kresge, NCAA, recording secretary.

[NOTE: The following action occurred via facsimile July 6, 2011.]

Acting for the Division III Management Council and Presidents Council, the Administrative Committee approved the following committee appointments. All appointments are effective immediately, unless otherwise noted.

- Student-Athlete Advisory Committee –Steven Berardi, baseball student-athlete, Ursinus College, Centennial Conference.

- Honors Committee –Dan Boggan, Jr, as a public member of the NCAA Honors Committee. The committee believes that Mr. Boggan's experience on campus, at the NCAA national office and in the community will be beneficial to the work of the Honors Committee.

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The National Collegiate Athletic Association
July 7, 2011 DTD/LK:dsk

MINUTES OF THE

NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE NO. 8

Those participating were James Bultman, Division III Presidents Council chair; Chris Martin, DIII Management Council chair; Jeff Martinez, Division III Management Council vice chair; Jim Schmotter, Division III Presidents Council vice chair; Chris Thomforde, Division III Management Council; Dan Dutcher, NCAA; Leah Kareti, NCAA, and Debbie Kresge, NCAA, recording secretary.

[NOTE: The following action occurred via facsimile May 16, 2011.]

Acting for the Division III Management Council and Presidents Council, the Administrative Committee approved a $50,000 donation to the American Red Cross to support disaster relief in light of recent tornados that have impacted Alabama, Missouri and elsewhere.

The Administrative Subcommittee of the NCAA Executive Committee recommended that each division allocate $50,000 ($150,000 Association-wide) to the American Red Cross to support disaster relief. Currently, the American Red Cross is focusing on providing for the immediate needs of survivors from the recent tornados. The humanitarian aspects of the initiative are self-evident. The division will fund this donation from end-of-year surplus funds.

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The National Collegiate Athletic Association
July 13, 2011 DTD/LK:dsk

DIVISION III STRATEGIC POSITIONING PLATFORM

NCAA Mission

What the brand wants to accomplish

To govern competition in a fair, safe, equitable and sportsmanlike manner, and to integrate intercollegiate athletics into higher education so that the educational experience of the student-athlete is paramount.

DIII Positioning Statement

Who we are

Follow your passions and discover your potential. The college experience is a time of learning and growth – a chance to follow passions and develop potential. For student-athletes in Division III, this happens most importantly in the classroom and through earning an academic degree. The Division III experience provides for passionate participation in a competitive athletics environment, where student-athletes push themselves to excellence and build upon their academic success with new challenges and life skills. And student-athletes are encouraged to pursue the full spectrum of opportunities available during their time in college. In this way, Division III provides an integrated environment for student-athletes to take responsibility for their own paths, follow their passions and find their potential through a comprehensive educational experience.

DIII Attributes

What we stand for

	Proportion: appropriate relation of academics with opportunities to pursue athletics & other passions.	**Comprehensive Learning:** opportunity for broad-based education and success.	**Passion:** playing for the love of the game, competition, fun and self-improvement.	**Responsibility:** development of accountability through personal commitment and choices.	**Sportsmanship:** fair and respectful conduct toward all participants and supporters.	**Citizenship:** dedication to developing responsible leaders and citizens in our communities.
NCAA Brand Attributes	*Balance*	*Learning*	*Spirit*	*Character*	*Fair Play*	*Community*

Audiences

Who we are addressing

Student-Athletes / Parents | **DIII Internal Constituencies** | **General Public / Media**

Audience Benefits

Key benefits of the DIII experience

Student-Athletes / Parents

- Continue to compete in a highly competitive athletics program and retain the full spectrum of college life.
- Focus on academic achievement while graduating with a comprehensive education that builds skills beyond the classroom.
- Access financial aid for college without the obligations of an athletics scholarship.
- Opportunities to play more than one sport.
- Be responsible for your own path, discover potential through opportunities to pursue many interests.

DIII Internal Constituencies

- Academics are the primary focus for student-athletes. Shorter practice and playing seasons, no red-shirting and regional competition minimize time away from their academic studies and keep student-athletes on a path to graduation.
- Student-athletes are integrated on campus and treated like all other members of the general student-body, keeping them focused on being a student first.
- Participation in athletics provides valuable “life lessons” for student-athletes (teamwork, discipline, perseverance, leadership, etc) which often translate into becoming a better student and more responsible citizen.

General Public / Media

- Division III institutions develop student-athlete potential through a comprehensive educational approach.
- Division III institutions offer athletics for the educational value and benefit to the student-athlete, not for the purposes of revenue generation or entertainment.
- Participation in athletics provides valuable “life lessons” for student-athletes (teamwork, discipline, perseverance, leadership, etc) which often translate into becoming a better student and more responsible citizen.
- Student-athletes compete in a highly competitive athletics program and retain the full spectrum of college life.
- Student-athletes do not receive monetary incentive to play sports but rather participate for the love of the game.

Reasons to Believe

Supporting features of DIII

1. **Comprehensive educational experience.** Division III institutions develop student-athlete potential through a holistic educational approach that includes rigorous academics, competitive athletics and opportunity to pursue other interests and passions.
2. **Integrated campus environment.** About one-quarter of all students at Division III institutions participate in athletics. Those participating in athletics are integrated into the campus culture and educational missions of their colleges or universities:
   - Student-athletes are subject to admission and academic performance standards consistent with the general student body;
   - Student-athletes are not provided any special housing, services or support from their institution different from other students or student groups;
   - Athletics departments are regulated and managed through the same general procedures and practices as other departments of the institution.

   This integration of athletics allows the student-athletes to take full advantage of the many opportunities of campus life and their entire collegiate experience.
3. **Academic focus.** Student-athletes most often attend a college or university in Division III because of the excellent academic programs, creating a primary focus on learning and achievement of their degree. The division minimizes the conflicts between athletics and academics through shorter playing and practicing seasons, the number of contests, no red-shirting or out-of-season organized activities and a focus on regional in-season and conference play.
4. **Available financial aid.** Three-quarters of all student-athletes in Division III receive some form of grant or non-athletics scholarship. Student-athletes have equal opportunity and access to financial aid as the general student body – but are not awarded aid based on athletics leadership, ability, performance or participation.
   - Division III does not award athletics scholarships. Without the obligation of an athletics scholarship, student-athletes can emphasize academics, athletics and other opportunities of college life appropriate to the necessary commitment and their own passions.
5. **Competitive athletics programs.** Student-athletes do not receive any monetary incentive (athletics scholarship) to play sports in college. They play for the love and passion of the game and to push themselves to be their best, creating an intense, competitive athletics environment for all who participate.
6. **National championship opportunities.** Division III has over 155,000 student-athletes competing annually in 36 different national championships. These competitions provide an opportunity for student-athletes to compete at the highest level and fulfill their athletics potential.
7. **Commitment to athletics participation.** Division III institutions are committed to a broad-based program of athletics because of the educational value of participation for the student-athlete. The division has a higher number and wider variety of athletics opportunities on average than any other division in the NCAA, emphasizing both competitive men’s and women’s sports.

NCAA Division III
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REPORT OF THE DIVISION III CONVENTION-PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Membership Survey on Educational Topics.** The subcommittee reviewed the results of the membership survey on educational topics for the 2012 Convention and used the results to identify Division III educational session topics.

	Topic	Average score
1.	Legislative Hot Topics: Recruiting	1.98
2.	Division III Dashboard Indicator System	2.03
3.	Division III Academic Reporting Pilot	2.09
4.	Budgeting of Division III Athletics Departments	2.10
5.	Division III Identity Initiative	2.22
6.	Legislative Hot Topics: Financial Aid	2.23
7.	Use of Technology in Division III Athletics Departments	2.25
8.	Legislative Hot Topics: Fundraising	2.27
9.	Legislative Hot Topics: Playing and Practice Seasons	2.37
10.	Introduction to Foundational Compliance Concepts	2.49
11.	Special Olympics Initiative	2.51
12.	Concussions	2.53
13.	Division III Drug Education and Testing Initiative	2.58
14.	Life-Work Balance in Division III	2.70
15.	Orientation for New Athletics Administrators	2.89

Scoring: There were five choices given for each topic to indicate a level of desirability on a one to five scale – definitely want to see, would like to see, neutral, don't want to see, and definitely don't want to see – where one indicated definitely want to see.

2. **Draft 2012 NCAA Convention Schedule [Attachment].** The subcommittee reviewed the draft Convention schedule noting that the Convention begins Tuesday, January 10, consistent with the format used in 2011. Below is a list of Division III sessions that do not appear on the overall Convention schedule:

a. Thursday, January 12.
- Division III Commissioners Meeting (7 a.m. to 1 p.m.)

b. Friday, January 13.

- Division III Athletics Direct Reports Forum and Luncheon (11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.).

3. Possible Educational Topics – 2012 Convention. The subcommittee determined that the division should offer the following educational programs:

a. Legislative Hot Topics. Recruiting. The session should cover current legislation, highlighting rules application and recent non-controversial updates and then include a discussion of the impact of recruiting rules on institutional enrollment strategy, life-work balance of coaches, and other hot topics.

b. Division III Student-Athlete Experience. This session will use the results of the NCAA Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations, and Learning of Students in College (GOALS) and the Higher Educational Research Institute (HERI) study at UCLA to highlight significant elements of the student-athlete experience and discuss what institutions or conference could do with these findings. Examples of information covered include college choice, satisfaction with academic, athletics and extracurricular activities, time demands, community engagement, and self gains.

c. NADIIIAA programming. The division will again give NADIIIAA one if its 90 minutes Convention programming slots, and will request that NADIIIAA consider covering Budgeting of Division III Athletics Departments and Use of Technology in Division III Athletics Departments, based on the membership survey results.

4. Association-Wide Programming and Education Topics. The subcommittee was presented with the process for determining the Association-wide programming and education topics by Stacey Preston of the NCAA Convention Management staff. These topics will be identified later this summer and will be communicated to the subcommittee.

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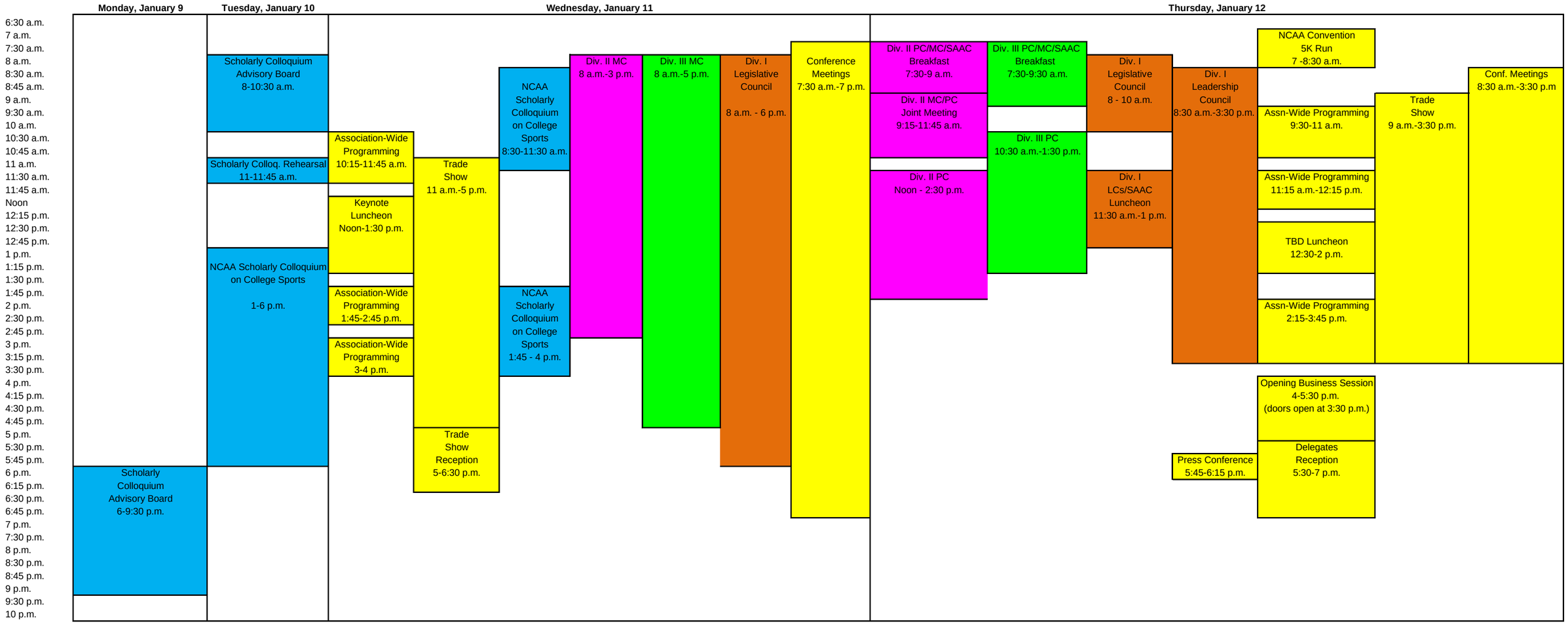

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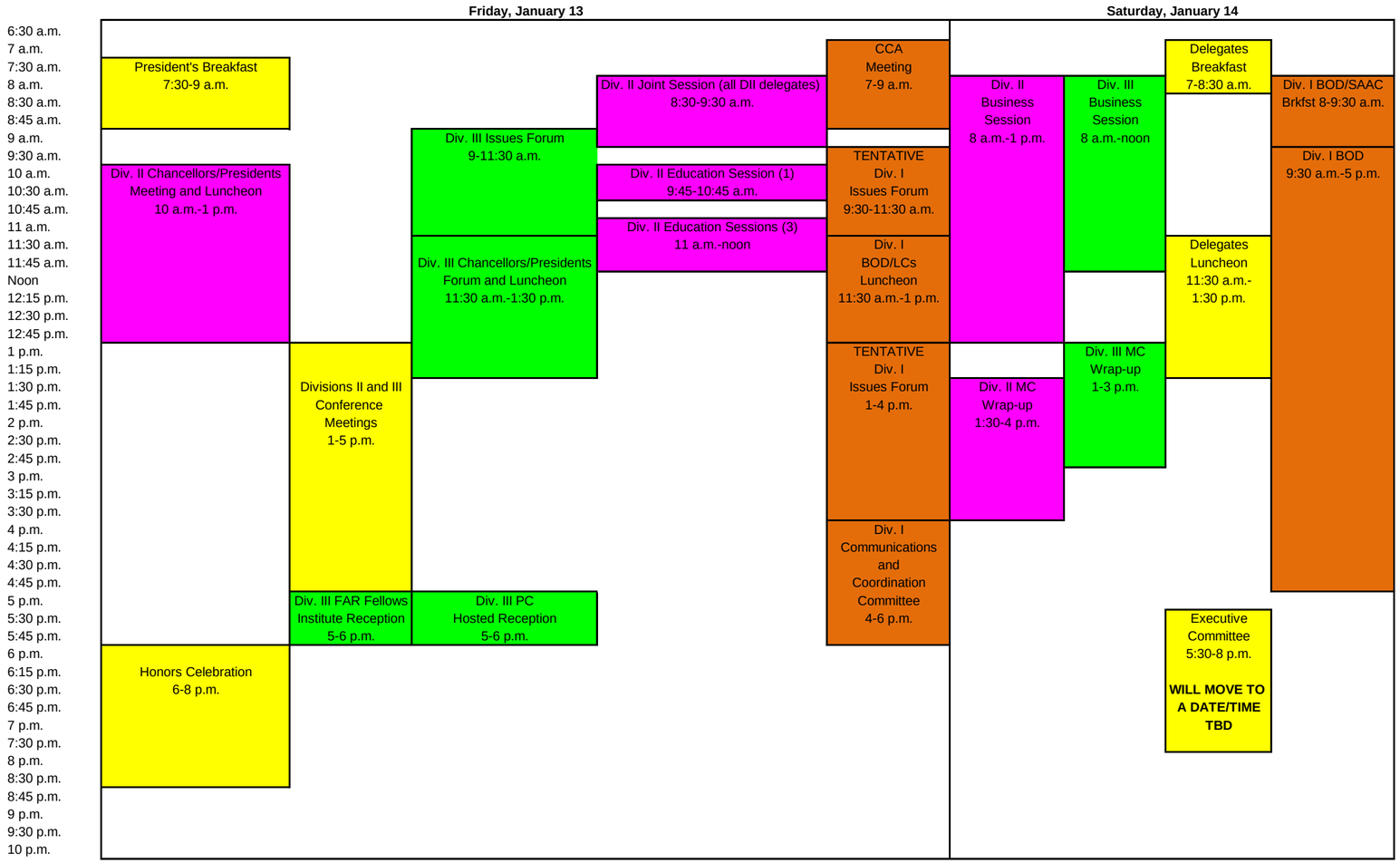

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III STRATEGIC PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. 2010-12 Division III Strategic Plan.

(1) Recommendation. Approve the 2011-12 Division III Strategic Plan. [See Supplement No. 3e]

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2011.

(3) Rationale. The committee recommends approval of the updated Strategic Plan noting the addition of specific divisional priorities to successfully:

- Implement the partnership with Special Olympics;
- Establish a Division III-specific Academic All-America program;
- Partner with Divisions I and II to better establish an Association-wide approach to membership growth management;
- Incorporate the policy focus of the NCAA's Office of Inclusion in the division's management of diversity and gender equity issues; and
- Pursue a drug testing model focusing primarily on education, in partnership with the student affairs community and including appropriate emphasis on the role of coaches. This shall be supplemented by opportunities for voluntary, local testing while the division maintains its championships drug testing program.

(4) Estimated Financial Impact. These priorities are consistent with previously approved budget items.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. The Division III Strategic Plan serves the best interests of student-athletes.

b. Drug Testing Models.

(1) Recommendation. Conduct further analysis and refinement of the following drug testing options:

(a) Matching grant, no required protocol.
(b) NCAA administered mini grants, both with and without required protocol.
(c) Pursue a volume discount through a request for proposal (RFP) for a limited menu of drug testing options. The division would subsidize a portion of this expense using a similar concept to the Identity Purchasing Website.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. In response to a charge from the Presidents Council, the committee reviewed a series of nine options for fund distribution for campuses to conduct drug testing at the institution's discretion. (See Supplement No. 20b). The committee identified three options for further study.

First, regarding a matching grant program, the committee supported some level of institutional investment in the program, while maintaining ultimate flexibility for institutions by not requiring specific testing protocols. It was noted this will be the most attractive option for institutions already conducting campus-based drug testing.

Second, regarding NCAA administered mini-grants, the committee supported this option, both with and without requited protocols, as a way to support institutions that may not have matching funds to dedicate to drug testing. The mini grant program would provide for some control by the division of how the funds are used, while still affording a campus the flexibility to address local needs and concerns.

Finally, the committee supported the option to pursue a volume discount through RFP for a limited menu of drug testing options where the division would subsidize a portion of this expense (similar to the Identity purchasing website concept.). This option represents a favorable balance of flexibility in protocol, limiting administrative burden, and maximizing economies of scale.

The committee did not endorse models that would be connected to the Conference Grant Program or otherwise focused on the conference as an entire group, noting the desire of the conference commissioners to maintain the campus-based focus of this initiative. Also, options relying on a single protocol were not endorsed for further study. The committee expressed concern that the ultimate financial allocation for the drug testing program must be consistent with the division's reluctance to launch a national testing program, and that the final testing model must be sensitive to both the Division III philosophy of not treating student-athletes different than the general student body and the usage rates of performance enhancing versus street drugs by student-athletes.

(4) Estimated Financial Impact. A financial analysis will be included in the refinement of selected proposals for inclusion in the 2012-14 budget.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. This is ultimately a health and safety program which will be designed to protect student-athlete well-being.

c. Ice Hockey Officiating Stipend.

(1) Recommendation. Deny the funding request of $15,000 ($50 per registrant) to subsidize Division III Ice Hockey officials' registration with ArbiterSports.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The national coordinator of Division III ice hockey officials sought this financial support because ice hockey has a preponderance of single sport conferences in an environment where officiating improvement funds are given to multi-sport conferences. With this request, it was noted that officiating improvement has been identified as a priority by the Division III membership and ice hockey is the first predominately single-sport conference sport to be provided education and training under the NCAA/ArbiterSports joint system.

While the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee appreciates the uniqueness of ice hockey, providing a sport-specific subsidy is inconsistent with both the division's normal treatment of officiating improvement and the ArbiterSports fee structure. Ice hockey sponsoring institutions may seek support through their multi-sport conferences, and

the ice hockey officiating community has already negotiated a $25 discount with ArbiterSports by opting to forgo receipt of the standard welcome packet.

(4) Estimated Financial Impact. None. This proposed expense was never included in a Division III budget.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Committee Review of Conference Grant Requisition Forms. The committee reviewed all funding issues associated with 2011-12 conference grant requisition forms and directed the staff on which requests to approve, deny, or amend. Three themes emerged from this review. First, the committee finds it acceptable for conferences to use Tier One grant funds to provide professional development opportunities beyond the pre-approved list of events if the conference can clearly demonstrate the skills learned or the goals of the activity in question. Second, in Tier Two, the committee will approve identity related spending on projects other than Identity/Integration Symposiums, but will remind conferences that this does not satisfy the requirement to conduct such a symposium at least once in the four-year grant cycle. Also, the committee clarified its expectation that the symposiums should include both a conference based component, and specific pre-and post activities or discussions conducted by individual campuses. Finally, the committee is still requiring a level of detail in the requisitions that explain not only the topic area being addressed by a conference, but also some sense of the program's content, goals, or desired outcomes.

2. Division III Identity Initiative. The committee reviewed both existing and in-progress identity activation resources. (See Supplement No. 19) The committee expressed that high school coaches and guidance counselors need to be a priority audience for the next phase of identity activation. While there does seem to be success in reaching internal campus audiences with the platform messages, the public seems to be receiving only the overall NCAA platform message. Regarding the timing of Division III week, the committee endorsed the early April timeframe to accommodate outdoor activities, involve prospective student-athletes who may have recently committed to attending an institution, and to ensure that all Division III institutions are in a regular academic term.

3. **Drug Education.** The committee reviewed the proposal for an NCAA Division III-NASPA Alcohol and Other Drug Education Collaboration. (See Supplement No. 20 a) The proposal was drafted in response to the division's drug education and testing pilot and presents a framework for collaboration between the NCAA and NASPA (Student-Affairs Administrators in Higher Education) on the creation and maintenance of a drug education resource for use by both NCAA and NASPA members. The division is awaiting formal response from NASPA on this proposal.

4. **Academic Reporting Pilot**. The committee reviewed the Academic Reporting timeline for 2011-12 noting that the Presidents and Management Councils will review a preliminary report at their summer meetings, with a full report of aggregate finds in October. (See Supplement No. 21) The committee also noted that a presentation of these findings will be given to the Division III membership during the 2012 NCAA national Convention in Indianapolis.

5. **Division III Expense Pilot ("Dashboard Indicators").** The committee received an update on the Division III Expense Pilot.

6. **Conference Presidential Leadership Update.** The committee reviewed the preliminary findings of a survey sent to help the Division III governance structure better assess the role of presidential leadership at the conference level regarding roles, participation and expectation of the institutions' presidents. (See Supplement No. 22) Essentially, only two of the 42 multi-sport conferences did not conduct a presidential meeting in 2011-12. The committee noted the positive momentum represented in the survey findings and suggests that the best way to reach 100% conference participation in a presidential meeting is through personal outreach to the impacted individuals. Further, the committee requested that the staff produce a resource on conducting effective teleconference or video conference meetings for those conferences that are either geographically dispersed or otherwise not able to conduct in-person meetings.

7. **Development of Diversity and Inclusion Plan.** The committee accepted the staff recommendation to consider a specific Division III Diversity and Inclusion Plan (including relevant goals or success metrics) in the coming year, based on the NCAA's revised Inclusion framework and reorganized national office staff support.

8. **FAR Institute Pilot Success Metrics.** The committee reviewed and accepted the proposed assessment of the Division III Faculty Athletics Representatives (FAR) Fellows Institute. The purpose of this comprehensive assessment of the Fellows Institute is to measure change in program participants in the areas of knowledge, skill, behavior and attitude and to monitor the effectiveness of the program in establishing the FAR as a campus and conference leader.

9. **Division III Budget.** [See Supplement Nos. 3b, 3c and 3d] This schedule represents where Division III stands financially as of June 27, 2011. The results include $23,914,000 in revenue and $18,848,799 in expenses, which reflects a majority of the championship expenses, but excludes many spring events. The Division III reserve balance is expected to be $16,965,255 at year end.

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2010-11 Division III Budget-to-Actual (as of June 27, 2011)

	2009-10 Year-to-date Actual	2010-11 Budget	2010-11 Year-to-date Actual	Difference
Revenue:				
Division III 3.18% Revenue Allocation	24,220,734	23,914,000	23,914,000	-
Total Revenue	24,220,734	23,914,000	23,914,000	-
Expenses:				
Championship Expenses				
Men's Championships				
Baseball	1,451,017	1,692,740	800,719	892,021
Basketball	735,473	805,050	687,438	117,612
Cross Country	419,662	499,060	542,749	(43,689)
Football	1,296,360	1,366,150	1,257,642	108,508
Golf	400,673	498,890	286,473	212,417
Ice Hockey	246,042	314,180	319,545	(5,365)
Lacrosse	325,801	365,720	233,649	132,071
Soccer	861,497	1,001,740	907,297	94,443
Swimming & Diving	408,265	522,680	453,433	69,247
Tennis	464,179	498,360	360,864	137,496
Indoor Track	360,752	385,820	344,957	40,863
Outdoor Track	518,071	647,970	344,054	303,916
Volleyball	-	-	3,967	(3,967)
Wrestling	227,423	287,780	231,888	55,892
Championship Webcasting	15,000	15,000	-	15,000
Total Men's Championships	7,730,215	8,901,140	6,774,677	2,126,463
Women's Championships				
Basketball	817,341	928,860	855,708	73,152
Cross Country	418,053	507,820	517,034	(9,214)
Field Hockey	341,845	381,850	353,796	28,054
Golf	241,560	275,010	161,790	113,220
Ice Hockey	286,524	229,830	138,153	91,677
Lacrosse	452,249	591,180	265,190	325,990
Rowing	372,747	417,570	247,471	170,099
Soccer	963,440	976,050	1,018,261	(42,211)
Softball	1,278,421	1,292,700	647,163	645,537
Swimming & Diving	386,893	530,220	460,331	69,889
Tennis	495,459	577,320	361,048	216,272
Indoor Track	372,621	400,360	339,553	60,807
Outdoor Track	529,067	660,160	355,076	305,084
Volleyball	778,644	969,720	838,271	131,449
Championship Webcasting	15,000	15,000	-	15,000
Total Women's Championships	7,749,865	8,753,650	6,558,844	2,194,806
Championships Expense	15,480,080	17,654,790	13,333,520	4,321,270
Overhead	247,400	289,100	216,825	72,275
Total Championships Expense	15,727,480	17,943,890	13,550,345	4,393,545

Strategic Initiative Conference Grants	1,845,850	2,234,300	2,224,254	10,046
Other Division III Strategic Initiatives				
NAD3AA Partnership	61,698	51,000	-	51,000
SWA Enhancement Grant Program (NACWAA)	17,049	20,000	-	20,000
Division-wide Sportsmanship Initiative	11,000	15,000	13,250	1,750
Strategic Alliance Matching Grant	472,673	670,000	618,949	51,051
Women & Minority Intern Program	814,623	820,000	727,369	92,631
Regional Seminar Planning	15,000	15,000	15,000	-
S-A Leadership Conference	676,208	400,000	319,348	80,652
Campus-based Student-Athlete Leadership Programming	-	80,000	-	80,000
Drug and Alcohol Education	14,000	-	-	-
Drug Education and Testing Pilot	-	125,000	-	125,000
FAR Institute	-	75,000	71,189	3,811
Conference Commissioners Meeting	7,157	15,000	-	15,000
Academic Reporting Stipend	-	50,000	26,800	23,200
Division III Identity Program	129,357	600,500	318,754	281,746
Officiating	52,950	150,000	149,984	16
Haiti/UNICEF Division III Contribution	100,000	-	-	-
Division III Financial Recovery Insurance	200,000	200,000	150,000	50,000
Other Division III Initiatives		90,000	21,556	68,444
Overhead Allocation	786,500	856,000	642,000	214,000
Total Program Expenses	5,204,065	6,466,800	5,298,454	1,168,346
Total Division III Expenses	20,931,545	24,410,690	18,848,799	5,561,891
Excess Revenue over Expense	3,289,189	(496,690)	5,065,201	
Add: Previous Year's Unallocated (Unused) Funds	14,172,756	17,461,945	17,461,945	
Total Division III Funds Available for Reserve/Future Use	17,461,945	16,965,255	22,527,146	
Less: Mandated Reserve (Note 1)	2,422,073	2,391,400	2,391,400	
Total Division III Funds Available for Contingency/Future Use	15,039,871	14,573,855	20,135,746	
Less: Encumbered for future year programs (Note 2)	970,250	-	-	
Total Division III Projected Unallocated Funds	14,069,621	14,573,855	20,135,746	
Division III Reserve Cumulative Balance (Actual)	17,461,945		22,527,146	
Division III Reserve Cumulative Balance (Projected)		16,965,255		

Note 1: In any two-year budget cycles, the reserve shall not fall below 10% of the Division III revenue allocation.

Note 2: Amount of encumbered for future year programs is based on proposed budget initiatives/increases for the next biennial budget cycle.

Budget to Actual Expense Summary
(Explanation of Budget Overages)

Men's Cross Country	Transportation is over budget by $55,000 due to an increase in commercial air and ground transportation expenses. Average cost per traveler increased $250.
Men's Ice Hockey	Due to less commercial plane space, there was an increase in charter usage causing and overage in transportation of $49,900.
Men's Volleyball	Expenses are related to committee work towards planning for 2011-12. Budget has been established for 2011-12.
Women's Cross Country	Transportation is over budget by $10,000 due to an increase in commercial air and ground transportation expenses.
Women's Soccer	Due to less commercial plane space, there was an increase in charter usage causing and overage in transportation of $48,700.

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Projected 2011-2012 Budget Breakdown

	2011-12 Budget
Revenue:	
Division III 3.18% Revenue Allocation	24,358,000
Total Revenue	24,358,000
Expenses:	
Championships Expense (base budget rolled over from prior year)	17,624,840
2% Inflationary and Enhancement increase	352,996
Championship Webcasting	30,000
Championship New Initiatives	310,500
Championships Overhead Allocation	366,550
Total Championships Expense	18,684,886
Strategic Initiative Conference Grant Program	2,384,300
Other Division III Strategic Initiatives	
NAD3AA Partnership	51,000
Conference Commissioners Meeting	15,000
Regional Seminar Planning	15,000
SWA Enhancement Grant Program (NACWAA/HERS)	20,000
Division-wide Sportsmanship Initiative	15,000
Strategic Alliance Matching Grant	670,000
Women & Minority Intern Program	820,000
Financial Aid Education/Enforcement	10,000
S-A Regional Leadership Conference	436,000
Campus-based Student-Athlete Leadership Programming	80,000
Drug and Alcohol Education	125,000
Drug Education and Testing	100,000
FAR Institute	75,000
Academic Reporting Stipend	50,000
Academic All-America Team Program (CoSIDA)	44,000
Division III Identity Program	600,500
Division III Financial Recovery Insurance	200,000
Overhead Allocation (including National Office staffing)	856,000
Total Program Expenses	6,566,800
Total Division III Expenses	25,251,686
Excess Revenue over Expense	(893,686)

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Division III Budget Projections

	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Revenue:						
Division III 3.18% Revenue Allocation	23,914,000	24,358,000	24,915,000	25,462,000	26,173,000	26,886,000
Projected Revenue Increase	-1.3%	1.9%	2.3%	2.2%	2.8%	2.7%
Expenses:						
Championships Base Budget (Note 1)	17,943,890	18,296,886	19,052,804	19,428,080	19,810,861	20,201,298
Championships Initiatives	-	388,000	-	-	-	-
Division III Insurance	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
Programs Base Budget	5,682,800	6,266,800	6,411,800	7,011,800	7,057,800	7,057,800
Programs Initiatives	584,000	100,000	600,000	-	-	-
Total Division III Expenses	24,410,690	25,251,686	26,264,604	26,639,880	27,068,661	27,459,098
Net Change in Fund Balance	(496,690)	(893,686)	(1,349,604)	(1,177,880)	(895,661)	(573,098)
Projected Expense Increase	16.6%	3.4%	4.0%	1.4%	1.6%	1.4%
Beginning Fund Balance (Projected Reserve and Unallocated Funds)	$ 17,461,946	$ 16,965,256	$ 16,071,570	$ 14,721,967	$ 13,544,087	$ 12,648,426
Less:						
Net Change in Fund Balance	(496,690)	(893,686)	(1,349,604)	(1,177,880)	(895,661)	(573,098)
Ending Fund Balance (Projected Reserve and Unallocated Funds)	$ 16,965,256	$ 16,071,570	$ 14,721,967	$ 13,544,087	$ 12,648,426	$ 12,075,327
Percent of Mandated Reserve	89%	82%	74%	66%	60%	56%
Mandated Reserve (Note 2)	$19,131,200	$19,486,400	$19,932,000	$20,369,600	$20,938,400	$21,508,800
Financial Recovery Insurance Policy	$10,000,000	$10,000,000	$10,000,000	$10,000,000	$10,000,000	$10,000,000
Additional Reserve Funding Required	$9,131,200	$9,486,400	$9,932,000	$10,369,600	$10,938,400	$11,508,800
Including the following contingencies:						
Championship Contingency (Note 3)	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	500,000

Note 1: Beginning with 2011-12, the championships budget increases each year based on 2% inflation. The conference grant program within the non-championship initiative budget would increase by 2% every two years.

Note 2: Beginning with 2010-11, the mandated reserve balance should equal 80% of the Division III revenue allocation. The Division III Financial Recovery Insurance policy of $10 million can provide a portion of this mandated funding.

Note 3: The Championships Contingency fund was created to support year-end championships budget shortfalls. It is not included in the championships base budget or the total Division III budget, but is a portion of the overall Mandated Reserve that has been allocated to championships. Only the unused portions of this contingency will roll over into the next year.

Future Budget Initiatives (new funding only since inflationary amounts have already been factored in):

2011-12 $388,000 - Division III Men's Volleyball (includes overhead)
$100,000 - Drug Education Module Development

2012-13 $600,000 - Drug Education & Testing

Division III Strategic Plan

2010-11 and 2011-12 Budget Biennium

Vision Statement: Division III will be a dynamic and engaging group of colleges, universities and conferences of varying sizes and missions committed to an environment that encourages and supports diversity, values, fairness, and equity, and places the highest priority on the overall educational experience of the student-athletes in the conduct of intercollegiate athletics.

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INTRODUCTION

The Division III strategic plan serves many purposes. It begins with the Division III Philosophy Statement to establish the framework from which the division's programs, resource allocations, and regulatory decisions are made. It then highlights the Division III Strategic Positioning Platform to clarify the practical impact of the Division III philosophy. The plan then outlines the Division's strategic priorities by outlining what must be accomplished in the current budget biennium for the division to be successful.

The plan also serves to highlight all of the programs and services offered for the division. This catalog of offerings is arranged in a way that demonstrates the connection of each Division III program to the NCAA Strategic Plan, and explains when a program or initiative is funded from Division III dollars or a different Association budget. To bring further transparency to the division's operations, the plan justifies every line of the Division III budget against the philosophy statement or NCAA Constitution. Finally, the plan includes a note on its history, which tracks the evolution of the division's entire strategic initiatives program.

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DIVISION III PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs. They seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience, and in which coaches play a significant role as educators. They also seek to establish and maintain an environment that values cultural diversity and gender equity among their student-athletes and athletics staff. To achieve this end, Division III institutions:

(a) Expect that institutional presidents and chancellors have the ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program at the institutional, conference and national governance levels;

(b) Place special importance on the impact of athletics on the participants rather than on the spectators and place greater emphasis on the internal constituency (e.g., students, alumni, institutional personnel) than on the general public and its entertainment needs;

(c) Shall not award financial aid to any student on the basis of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance;

(d) Encourage the development of sportsmanship and positive societal attitudes in all constituents, including student-athletes, coaches, administrative personnel and spectators;

(e) Encourage participation by maximizing the number and variety of athletics opportunities for their students;

(f) Assure that the actions of coaches and administrators exhibit fairness, openness and honesty in their relationships with student-athletes;

(g) Assure that athletics participants are not treated differently from other members of the student body;

(h) Assure that athletics programs support the institution's educational mission by financing, staffing and controlling the programs through the same general procedures as other departments of the institution. Further, the administration of an institution's athletics program (e.g., hiring, compensation, professional development, certification of coaches) should be integrated into the campus culture and educational mission;

(i) Assure that athletics recruitment complies with established institutional policies and procedures applicable to the admission process;

(j) Assure that academic performance of student-athletes is, at a minimum, consistent with that of the general student body;

(k) Assure that admission policies for student-athletes comply with policies and procedures applicable to the general student body;

(l) Provide equitable athletics opportunities for males and females and give equal emphasis to men's and women's sports;

(m) Support ethnic and gender diversity for all constituents;

(n) Give primary emphasis to regional in-season competition and conference championships; and

(o) Support student-athletes in their efforts to reach high levels of athletics performance, which may include opportunities for participation in national championships, by providing all teams with adequate facilities, competent coaching and appropriate competitive opportunities.

The purpose of the NCAA is to assist its members in developing the basis for consistent, equitable competition while minimizing infringement on the freedom of individual institutions to determine their own special objectives and programs. The above statement articulates principles that represent a commitment to Division III membership and shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.

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Division III Positioning Statement

Follow your passions and discover your potential. The college experience is a time of learning and growth – a chance to follow passions and develop potential. For student-athletes in Division III, all of this happens most importantly in the classroom and through earning an academic degree. The Division III experience provides for passionate participation in a competitive athletic environment, where student-athletes push themselves to excellence and build upon their academic success with new challenges and life skills. And student-athletes are encouraged to pursue the full spectrum of opportunities available during their time in college. In this way, Division III provides an integrated environment for student-athletes to take responsibility for their own paths, follow their passions and find their potential through a comprehensive educational experience.

Division III Attributes

Proportion: Appropriate relation of academics with opportunities to pursue athletics & other passions.
Comprehensive Learning: Opportunity for broad-based education and success.
Passion: Playing for the love of the game, competition, fun and self-improvement.
Responsibility: Development of accountability through personal commitment and choices.
Sportsmanship: Fair and respectful conduct toward all participants and supporters.
Citizenship: Dedication to developing responsible leaders and citizens in our communities.

Reasons to Believe

1. **Comprehensive educational experience.** Division III institutions develop student-athlete potential through a holistic educational approach that includes rigorous academics, competitive athletics and opportunity to pursue other interests and passions.
2. **Integrated campus environment.** About one-quarter of all students at Division III institutions participate in athletics. Those participating in athletics are integrated into the campus culture and educational missions of their colleges or universities**.**
3. **Academic focus.** Student-athletes most often attend a college or university in Division III because of the excellent academic programs, creating a primary focus on learning and achievement of their degree.
4. **Available financial aid.** Three-quarters of all student-athletes in DIII receive some form of grant or non-athletic scholarship. Student-athletes have equal opportunity and access to financial aid as the general student body – but are not awarded aid based on athletic leadership, ability, performance or participation.
5. **Competitive athletic programs.** Student-athletes do not receive any monetary incentive (athletic scholarship) to play sports in college. They play for the love and passion of the game and to push themselves to be their best, creating an intense, competitive athletic environment for all who participate.
6. **National championship opportunities.** Division III has over 155,000 student-athletes competing annually in 36 different national championships. These competitions provide an opportunity for student-athletes to compete at the highest level and fulfill their athletic potential.
7. **Commitment to athletics participation.** Division III institutions are committed to a broad-based program of athletics because of the educational value of participation for the student-athlete. The division has a higher number and wider variety of athletic opportunities on average than any other division in the NCAA, emphasizing both competitive men's and women's sports.

1. Clarify the values of Division III athletics.

- Communicate the distinct Division III philosophy as articulated in the Strategic Positioning Platform.
  - Clarify the role and purpose of Division III as a conscious alternative to the sport-specialization culture, and as an accessible and fulfilling educational and athletics destination.
  - Emphasize a fuller, more integrated academic experience as the primary goal and consideration in all divisional endeavors.
  - Achieve widespread membership participation in the activation of the Division III Identity Initiative.
  - Implement strategic partnership with Special Olympics.

- Conduct Identity and integration symposiums as part of the Strategic Initiatives Conference Grant Program. The symposiums will bring together key conference partners to discuss ways each school (and the conference as a group) might best support the integration concept, consistent with the division's unique philosophy, identity and strategic positioning platform.

- Build a partnership with the College Sports Information Directors Association.
  - Use the expertise of campus Sports Information Directors (SIDs) to communicate the story of Division III at the local level.
  - Provide SIDs with professional development opportunities to better enable this community to become strategic communicators.
  - Establish Division III-specific Academic All-America program.

- Strengthen the advocacy of Division III faculty for the values of the athletics experience.
  - Conduct a pilot Faculty Athletic Representative (FAR) Fellows Institute to offer professional development training to FARs that provide FARs with tools to communicate the Division III story to their campus peers and enhance the level of engagement of FARs across the division.

- Continue to refine the Division III growth management strategy, so that institutions joining Division III do so for values-based and philosophical reasons, as opposed to financial considerations. Partner with Divisions I and II to better establish our Association-wide approach to membership growth management.

2. Establish a greater strategic role for presidents in the Division III Governance Structure.

- Establish greater strategic focus and legislative authority within the Division III governance structure for presidents, as well as for the Presidents Council in consultation with the Chancellor/Presidents Advisory Group (PAG).

- Achieve active presidential leadership in every Division III Conference.

- Improve communication between the NCAA and the individual overseeing athletics on campus.
  - Streamline communications with DIII chancellors and presidents.
  - Effectively engage the athletics direct report.

- Build external partnerships. Do not rely solely on presidents attending the NCAA Convention; send NCAA representatives to existing higher education meetings for presidents.

3. Ensure the division is effectively managing diversity and gender equity issues.

- Incorporate the policy focus of the Association's Office of Inclusion.
- Review the objectives and establish meaningful goals for the division's programs supporting diversity and gender equity.
- Establish strategies to increase and diversify the pool of candidates for Division III committee service.

4. Establish a drug education and testing program that best protects student-athlete well-being.

- Analyze the results of the 2007-09 Drug Education and Testing Pilot and determine the most appropriate education and/or testing programs for the division.
- Use the guiding principles of student-athlete well-being, competitive equity, health and safety, cost/benefit analysis, and institutional autonomy in the analysis.
- Retain championships testing.
- Pursue a model that focuses primarily on education, in partnership with the student affairs community and includes appropriate emphasis on the role of coaches. Supplement the educational model with opportunities for voluntary local testing.

5. Assess adherence to the Division III philosophical principle that student-athletes should have academic performance consistent with the general student body.

- Conduct an academic reporting pilot to compare student-athletes and nonstudent-athletes using data currently provided to the Association and the Department of Education.

Appendix A

NCAA Goals and Related

Division III Programs and Objectives

Association Wide Goal 1: Athletics as Integral to Higher Education. Student-athletes will be better educated and prepared for increased and lifelong achievement and success.

Objectives

- Increase support of reform efforts that emerge from the governance structure.
- Increase the number of student-athletes who succeed academically.
- Increase opportunities for student-athletes to integrate their academic, athletics and social interests.
- Enhance the leadership role of athletics administrators and increase the role of coaches as advocates for the values of intercollegiate athletics.

Division III Programs and Initiatives	Desired Outcomes	Resource Allocation from Division III Budget
Conference visits by Presidents Council, Management Council, Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) members and staff	Improve communication between and among governance structure and membership as evidenced by a satisfaction survey.	Association-wide funding
Virtual Focus Groups (VFG)	All conferences, through VFGs, will engage in dialog on a quarterly basis.	Association-wide funding
Communication Initiatives: Inform membership of policy issues, governance updates and hot topics	Conference visits, quarterly presidential updates, monthly athletics updates and periodic educational columns shall be conducted or distributed on a regular schedule.	Overhead
Annual Division III Commissioners meeting	All conferences will be represented annually; commissioners will be provided with the opportunity to discuss governance issues and Division III hot topics.	$10,000
Student-athlete leadership conferences and campus based leadership programming	At least 80 percent of eligible institutions will participate annually in DIII Student-Athlete Leadership Conferences, and 100 percent of participating coaches and administrators will become stronger advocates for the values of Division III intercollegiate athletics.	$516,000
Strategic Initiatives Conference Grant Program: Tier One-Professional Development and SAAC support, Tier Two-Student-Athlete Well Being Initiatives	All institutions will access strategic initiative conference grant dollars over a four year period, and all conferences will optimally use the full allocation of funds each year.	$860,800
National SAAC Outreach	Celebrate successful campus SAAC community outreach each quarter, engage in community outreach at each National SAAC meeting, and annually educate student-athletes about National Student-Athlete Day and other community initiatives.	Association-wide funding
Academic Reporting Pilot	Determine availability and comparability of graduation rates of student-athletes with general student body rates.	$50,000
FAR Institute Pilot	Conduct a pilot FAR Fellows institute to offer professional development training to FARs that provide FARs with tools to communicate the Division III story to their campus peers and enhance the level of engagement of FARs across the division.	$75,000

ASSOCIATION-WIDE GOAL 2: The Student-Athlete Experience. Student-athletes will be enriched by a collegiate athletics experience based on fair and reasonable standards and a commitment to sportsmanship.

Objectives

- Increase the applications of fairer and more flexible regulations that favor student-athletes.
- Increase the opportunities for women and minorities to participate in intercollegiate athletics at all levels.
- Increase sportsmanship in intercollegiate athletics among student-athletes, coaches and fans.

Division III Programs and Initiatives	Desired Outcomes	Resource Allocation from Division III Budget
Women and Minority Internship Program	The division will assess the original goals of this program to understand its legacy and to formulate future, long terms goals related to diversity of the athletics administrative and governance structures.	$820,000
Strategic Alliance Matching Grant	The division will assess the original goals of this program to understand its legacy and to formulate future, long terms goals related to diversity of the athletics administrative and governance structures.	$670,000
Strategic Initiatives Conference Grant Program: Tier Two-Diversity/Gender Equity and Sportsmanship Initiatives	All conferences and at least 50% of institutions will engage in programming related to diversity, gender equity and sportsmanship initiatives within each four-year grant cycle.	$583,850
The Nominating Committee shall annually review the NCAA's gender and diversity audit and make personal contact with targeted groups to encourage committee service	Balance membership of Division III committees to ensure the interests of all Division III constituents are represented in the governance structure.	Association-wide funding
Get in the Game Web site; AMA online	The staff will maintain an online resource to provide consistent and complete compliance information to student-athletes for the certification of eligibility process.	Association-wide funding; Provisional/Reclassifying Membership fees
Committees will exercise fair and flexible decision making when making waiver and interpretive decisions	Student-athletes will benefit from the receipt of more individual consideration of their issues in the waiver and interpretations process.	Association-wide funding
Regional Rules Seminars	Education sessions on Division III rules and regulations will be offered annually.	$15,000
Rules Test	The Membership Committee shall annually make available a clear and fair rules test that all members can access on line to comply with the condition and obligation of membership to administer the rules test.	Overhead
Conduct quality championships with fair selection processes and appropriate access	The Championships Committee will continually assess the appropriateness of bracket sizes and selection processes.	$18,684,886
NCAA/NACWAA Institute for Administrative Advancement	The division will fund this professional development opportunity for female athletics administrators in a manner most accommodating to applicant individuals.	$20,000
Division III National office and Conference Commissioner Association Sportsmanship Partnership: Be Loud, Be Proud, Be Positive Campaign and Conduct Foul Program	At least 75 percent of DIII member conferences will actively engage in monitoring and recognizing a commitment to sportsmanship annually. Emphasis shall be placed on the development of campus and conference policies for game and event management and increasing promotion of positive actions by coaches, student-athletes and fans.	$15,000
Examine demographic trends and consider whether Division III or Association-wide programming is appropriate to affect change in the division's student-athlete demographic profile	The percentage of minority individuals in the student-athlete population should be consistent with the percentage of minority individuals in the general student-body.	Association-wide funding
Officiating Improvement	Provide funding to conference offices and encourage support of officiating improvement.	$150,000

ASSOCIATION-WIDE GOAL 3: Informed Governance and Decision-Making.

Member institutions and conferences will have access to data, research and best practices that assist governance and management of intercollegiate athletics.

Objectives

- Increase opportunities and support for chief executive officers to participate and make more informed decisions about intercollegiate athletics.
- Increase opportunities for member institutions and conferences to share best practices in support of the Association's core values.
- Increase the number and quality of research initiatives on relevant issues to help member institutions and conferences make informed decisions.
- Increase opportunities for affiliated organizations to provide input for more informed decision-making.
- Enhance hiring practices for administrators, coaches and other athletics personnel, resulting in more inclusive leadership in intercollegiate athletics.

Programs and Initiatives	Desired Outcomes	Resource Allocation from Division III Budget
Establish a greater strategic role for presidents in the Division III governance structure	Establish greater strategic focus and more selective legislative authority for presidents in the Division III governance structure, as well as the Presidents Council in consultation with PAG.	Association-wide funding
Quarterly Presidential Communication	The chair of the Presidents Council will reach out to all presidents on a quarterly basis via formal correspondence.	Association-wide funding
Division III Governance Outreach to Affiliates	Governance structure representatives will engage with affiliates on an issue-specific basis (e.g., higher education association meetings, annual sports chairs and championships committee meeting, FARA annual meeting and symposium, National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators Seminar, etc).	Overhead
Presidential Programming at the NCAA Convention	CEO involvement at the NCAA Convention will be enhanced by presidentially-focused programming.	Association-wide funding
Institutional and Conference Self Studies	All institutions and conferences will conduct regular reviews with active participation of campus/conference presidents. Presidential involvement shall promote an understanding of institutional control and the primary compliance role of presidents. Institutional reviews shall assess standards on recruiting, admissions, academic eligibility, student services, student-athlete profiles, personnel and a commitment to Division III philosophical priorities (e.g., equitable athletics opportunities for males and females.) Conference reviews shall include an assessment of conference alignments, values and priorities to support increased partnerships between conference members.	Overhead
Sports sponsorship and Institutional Self-Study audits	The Membership Committee shall annually review member compliance with sports sponsorship requirements and completed Institutional Self-Study instruments to assess compliance with membership criteria and assess educational needs of the membership. Members placed on probation shall be required to complete an athletics program assessment.	Provisional/Reclassifying membership fees
Financial Aid Reporting Process	All institutions will participate in the data-driven reporting process. Greater availability of historical data shall enable increased emphasis on the role of enforcement and penalties for future reporting years.	$10,000
Drug Education and Testing Pilot; Drug and Alcohol Education	Analyze results of academic-year round drug education and testing pilot to enable the division to establish the most appropriate drug education and testing program. Further, the division shall continue its existing drug education program during this analysis.	$225,000
Continually monitor Division III membership size and related access to championship and other services	The governance structure shall analyze data and collect feedback from institutions to continually develop a growth management strategy for Division III.	Overhead

ASSOCIATION-WIDE GOAL 4: Effective National Office Administration.
The National Office will be operated in an accountable, efficient manner.

Objectives

- Increase partnership with the membership. Better define the national office's role.
- Increase flexibility, responsiveness and efficiency of interpretations, enforcement and appeals processes.
- Increase the timeliness, clarity, conciseness and effectiveness of membership communication.
- Increase use of technology to improve the effectiveness and efficiencies of Association processes.

Programs and Initiatives	Desired Outcomes	Resource Allocation from Division III Budget
Implement use of available technology to regularly deliver NCAA messages and rules education	The governance structure will continually assess common needs and available technologies to increase the timeliness, clarity, conciseness and effectiveness of membership communication.	Overhead
Partnership with National Association of Division III Athletics Administrators	The governance structure will provide financial support to the NADIIIAA. National office staff will support this membership-led organization in its professional development offerings.	$51,000
Educate the membership on the role of the NCAA national office	Increase membership understanding of the role of the national office by including this information in governance presentations made at Leadership Conferences, Regional Seminars, conference meetings, and other appropriate venues.	Overhead
Conference Contact program	Continue to service all conferences and ensure new conferences are accommodated according to program guidelines (e.g., verbal interpretations; consistent NCAA staff contact).	Overhead
Strategic Initiative Conference Grant Program: Tier Three - Technology Grants	Provide funding to conferences offices to upgrade or maintain technical capabilities to access technical platforms used by the NCAA.	$514,250

ASSOCIATION-WIDE GOAL 5: Perceptions of the Association and Intercollegiate Athletics.
The public will gain a greater understanding of and confidence in the integrity of intercollegiate athletics and will more readily support its values.

Objectives

- Increase awareness of and advocacy for the positive values of intercollegiate athletics among the media and the public and within the membership.
- Increase the public's confidence in the Association as a whole.

Programs and Initiatives	Desired Outcomes	Resource Allocation from Division III Budget
Strategic Initiative Conference Grant Program: Tier Three-Promotions/Marketing/Division III Identity	Increase opportunities for promotion and marketing efforts on behalf of Division III institutions and conferences, consistent with the messages of the Strategic Positioning Platform.	$275,000
Bi-Annual Sports Information Directors Meeting	Increased participation and communication with the media will be reflected by at least 80 percent of DIII conference sports information directors (SIDs) participating in a bi-annual meeting.	$5,000
Research and develop Division III specific messages (PSAs) and activation tool ideas, concepts and share with the membership	The division's measureable outcomes in this area will be reconsidered after the completion of the division's strategic communications platform.	TBD
Division III Identity Initiative	Clarify and promote the unique Division III philosophy as articulated in the Division's Strategic Positioning Platform. Enable conferences and institutions to better tell the Division III story to a variety of target audiences.	$600,500
Partnership with CoSIDA	Promote academic success of Division III student-athletes through creation of separate Division III Academic All-America Program.	$44,000

Appendix B

Division III Budget Justification

Projected NCAA Division III 2011-12 Budget Breakdown		Division III Philosophy Statement and Constitutional Principles Justifying Funded Programs
Revenue:		*Division III Institutions….*
Division III 3.18% Revenue Allocation	$24,358,000	
Expenses:		
Total Championships Expense	$18,648,886	Support student-athletes in their efforts to reach high levels of athletics performance, which may include opportunities for participation in national championships, by providing all teams with adequate facilities, competent coaching and appropriate competitive opportunities. (Bylaw 20.11-(n))
Strategic Initiative Conference Grant Program	$2,234,300	Place special importance on the impact of athletics on the participants rather than on the spectators and place greater emphasis on the internal constituency (e.g., students, alumni, institutional personnel) than on the general public and its entertainment needs; (Bylaw 20.11-(a))
NAD3AA Partnership	$51,000	The purpose of the NCAA is to assist its members in developing the basis for consistent, equitable competition while minimizing infringement on the freedom of individual institutions to determine their own special objectives and programs. (Bylaw 20.11)
Conference Commissioners/SID Meeting	$15,000	The purpose of the NCAA is to assist its members in developing the basis for consistent, equitable competition while minimizing infringement on the freedom of individual institutions to determine their own special objectives and programs. (Bylaw 20.11)
Regional Seminar Planning	$15,000	The Association shall assist the institution in its efforts to achieve full compliance with all rules and regulations and shall afford the institution, its staff and student-athletes fair procedures in the consideration of an identified or alleged failure in compliance. (Constitution 2.8.2)
SWA Enhancement Grant Program (NACWAA/HERS)	$20,000	Support ethnic and gender diversity for all constituents; (Bylaw 20.11-(l))
Division-wide Sportsmanship Initiative	$15,000	Encourage the development of sportsmanship and positive societal attitudes in all constituents, including student-athletes, coaches, administrative personnel and spectators; (Bylaw 20.11-(c))
Strategic Alliance Matching Grant	$670,000	Support ethnic and gender diversity for all constituents; (Bylaw 20.11-(l))
Women & Minority Intern Program	$820,000	Support ethnic and gender diversity for all constituents; (Bylaw 20.11-(l))
Financial Aid Education/Enforcement	$10,000	Shall not award financial aid to any student on the basis of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance; (Bylaw 20.11-(b))
Student-Athlete Leadership Conference	$436,000	Seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience, and in which coaches play a significant role as educators. (Bylaw 20.11)
Campus Based Student-Athlete Leadership Programming	$80,000	Seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience, and in which coaches play a significant role as educators. (Bylaw 20.11)
Drug and Alcohol Education	$125,000	Intercollegiate athletics programs shall be conducted in a manner designed to protect and enhance the physical and educational well-being of student-athletes. (Constitution 2.2)
Drug Education and Testing	$100,000	
FAR Institute	$75,000	Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs. They seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience (preamble to philosophy statement)
Academic Reporting Stipend	$50,000	Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs (preamble to philosophy statement).

Projected NCAA Division III 2011-12 Budget Breakdown		Division III Philosophy Statement and Constitutional Principles Justifying Funded Programs
Expenses, continued:		
Division III Academic All-America (CoSIDA)	$44,000	Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic program (preamble to philosophy statement).
Officiating Improvement	$150,000	Support student-athletes in their efforts to reach high levels of athletics performance, which may appropriate competitive opportunities. (Bylaw 20.11-(n))
Identity Initiatives	$600,500	This initiative is reflective of the entire Division III Philosophy Statement (Bylaw 20.11).
Division III Financial Recovery Insurance	$200,000	Intercollegiate athletics programs shall be administered in keeping with prudent management and fiscal practices to assure the financial stability necessary for providing student-athletes with adequate opportunities for athletics competition as an integral part of a quality educational experience. (Constitution 2.16)
Overhead Allocation (including National Office staffing)	$856,000	N/A
Total Division III Expenses	$25,251,686	

Note: The $856,000 overhead fee covers time and miscellaneous expenses related to Division III staff and programs. The $200,000 Financial Recovery Insurance protects the budget in case of a catastrophic event that would reduce or eliminate the division's share of association wide revenue. Further, reserve funds will be used towards the championships program in this biennium.

Appendix C

History of the

Division III Strategic Plan

History

The plan was unveiled in 1998 as the division embarked on its new federated structure. The Division III Management Council Strategic Planning Subcommittee developed the framework for the plan with broad participation of the Presidents Council, Division III and Association-wide committee structure, and the Division III membership. The 2004 version of the Division III Strategic Plan was developed by a joint subcommittee of the Management and Presidents Councils consistent with the Association-wide Strategic Plan adopted by the NCAA Executive Committee in April, 2004. The 2004 plan contained many of the existing initiatives and priorities to ensure that the programs and results remain consistent with Division III objectives. However, significant changes occurred as the 2005 and 2006 plans linked the relationship to the Division III philosophy with each Association-wide goal and outlined a series of outcome measures for each goal. Another significant change occurred in 2006-07 as the Division III Strategic Initiatives Grant Program resources were funneled directly to Division III Conferences and the Association of Independents. With this change, many strategic initiatives previously administered at the NCAA national office moved to the local control of conferences and institutions. The localized program encourages collaboration and involvement of all Division III constituent group representatives in the planning, decision-making and accountability of programming and funding to achieve the goals established in the Division's Strategic Plan. Presidential oversight and accountability with the process and budget allocations, consistent with the legislated leadership role of presidents within conference governance, is paramount.

In 2008-09, the strategic plan underwent a format change to create a forward looking document that highlights the goals and expectations of a budget biennium. Much of the reporting done in previous plans was moved into a Division III Annual Report, and standard committee operations are now reflected in each committee's policy and procedure guide (available on each committee's home page on ncaa.org). The plan clearly articulates the division's funding priorities, and explains when an initiative is funded by Division III, and when it is funded by a broader Association-wide budget. The plan also includes an appendix to show the philosophical or constitutional justification for all programs funded with Division III dollars.

In 2009-10, the plan was updated to highlight the divisions near term strategic priorities. Most 2009-10 priorities resulted from a series of presidentially authored white papers on membership growth published in September 2008. **New for 2010-12, the plan was updated based on the Division's release of a Strategic Positioning Platform, and clearly defines the near- and medium-term goals the division must accomplish to be successful in embodying the platform.**

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III
PRESIDENTS COUNCIL AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL JOINT LEGISLATIVE STEERING SUBCOMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Referral of 2012 NCAA Convention Legislation to NCAA Division III Presidents Council (Membership – Conference Membership Benefits, Conditions and Obligations).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the 2012 NCAA Convention legislation recommendation from the NCAA Division III Membership Committee regarding conference membership benefits, conditions and obligations to the NCAA Division III Presidents Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This recommendation is a companion proposal to the proposal already sponsored by the Presidents Council regarding core membership for automatic qualification purposes. While this recommendation largely brings consistency to the legislated benefits, conditions and obligations regarding conference membership, its connection to the automatic qualification proposal and impact on conference membership warrants presidential review.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Presidents Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – Required Sickle-Cell Testing).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the 2012 Convention legislation recommendation from the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports regarding required sickle-cell testing to the Presidents Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This recommendation addresses an issue that has received regular attention by the governance structure, including the Presidents Council, for nearly two years. The significant health and safety impact along with the potential liability issues support the Presidents Council continued involvement on this matter.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Presidents Council (Executive Regulations – Professional Sports Organizations' Financial Sponsorship of Intercollegiate Competition Events and Ancillary Activities).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the 2012 Convention legislation recommendation from the NCAA Division III Championships Committee regarding professional sports organizations financial sponsorship of intercollegiate athletics competition events and ancillary activities to the Presidents Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This recommendation is in response to the Presidents Council withdrawal of NCAA Division III Proposal No. 2011-13 during the 2011 NCAA Convention. The Presidents Council agreed to withdraw the proposal and charged the national office to more thoroughly examine the issue and return with a more complete proposal to address the involvement of professional sports organizations with intercollegiate competition and other events in a manner consistent with the Association's amateurism principles. This same proposal will be considered in all three divisions as it does have an Association-wide impact regarding the administration of NCAA championships. For these reasons, this proposal warrants presidential review.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

d. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to NCAA Division III Management Council (Personnel – Certified Strength and Conditioning Coaches – Required Sports-Safety Training).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the 2012 Convention legislation recommendation from the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee regarding required sports-safety training for certified strength and conditioning coaches to the NCAA Division III Management Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. While this proposal is based on health and safety concerns, it addresses them through an operational requirement that is an extension of existing legislation.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – Football – Testing During Five-Day Acclimatization Period).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the 2012 Convention legislation recommendation from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports regarding testing during the five-day acclimatization period in football to the Management Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This proposal modifies the methods of communication that can be used during the recruitment process, but does not materially impact the principles of recruiting, thereby rendering it an operational matter.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

f. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Recruiting – Elimination of Electronic Correspondence Restrictions).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the membership-sponsored 2012 Convention legislation regarding the elimination of the restrictions on electronic correspondence to the Management Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This proposal modifies the methods of communication that can be used during the recruitment process, but does not materially impact the principles of recruiting, thereby rendering it an operational matter.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

g. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Eligibility – Hardship Waivers – Practice After Injury).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the membership-sponsored 2012 Convention legislation regarding practice after a season-ending injury to the Management Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This proposal is operational in nature as it impacts a student-athlete's eligibility for a hardship waiver.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

h. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Membership – Elimination of Regional Rules Seminar Attendance Requirement).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the membership-sponsored 2012 Convention legislation regarding elimination of the Regional Rules Seminar attendance requirement to the Management Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This proposal is operational in nature as the elimination of this requirement does not have a significant philosophical or strategic impact.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

i. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – Voluntary Workouts Conducted by Certified Strength and Conditioning Coach – Mandatory Off).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the membership-sponsored 2012 Convention legislation regarding the prohibition of voluntary workouts conducted by a certified strength and conditioning coach on the mandatory day off during the playing season and outside the playing season to the Management Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This proposal is operational in nature as the extension of the mandatory day off legislation does not have a significant philosophical or strategic impact.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

j. Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – Annual Exemptions and Playing Season Length – One Postseason Championship).

(1) Recommendation. To refer the membership-sponsored 2012 Convention legislation regarding one postseason championship to occur outside the

playing season and to exempt one postseason championship from the maximum contest limits to the Management Council for consideration.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This proposal is operational in nature since it primarily involves scheduling matters which is handled at the administrative, rather than presidential, level at each institution.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Approval of guiding principles. The NCAA Division III Presidents Council and Management Council Joint Legislative Steering Subcommittee approved guiding principles to be used in its evaluation of legislative proposals. These guiding principles can serve as a standard filter by which the subcommittee can conduct its work in an efficient manner. Further, it can bring a level of transparency to the process for the membership and governance structure to better understand the lens through which the subcommittee will evaluate legislative proposals as to its either strategic or operational focus. The subcommittee noted the importance of maintaining the discretion to forward any proposal to the Presidents Council as it deems necessary; however, it agreed the following principles would establish a framework for its work:

a. Significant financial impact;

b. Significant effect on legislative principles as addressed in the Division III philosophy statement or strategic positioning platform;

c. Other issues affecting strategic priorities of the division; and

d. Significant Association-wide impact.

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REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MANAGEMENT COUNCIL ACADEMIC ISSUES SUBCOMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Action Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Action Items.

- **Waiver Directive -- Cooperative Educational Work Experiences.**

  (1) Recommendation. To issue a directive [see Attachment] stating that a waiver of full-time enrollment shall be granted for student-athletes participating in a cooperative educational work experience program that is not a required element of the institution's degree program, if the request demonstrates the experience is common or highly recommended in the field of study, as documented by the institution.

  (2) Effective Date. Immediate.

  (3) Rationale. The Management Council referred this issue to the subcommittee on recommendation from the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee after noting the subcommittee often grants full time waivers for nonrequired programs if the institution can demonstrate that the program is recommended and/or common for the field of study or profession. As a result, the committee agreed that a waiver directive for nonrequired programs would clarify and reduce the burden on schools submitting waivers in these circumstances.

  (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

  (5) Student-Athlete Impact. Increases the efficiency of the waiver process.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- None.

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NCAA Division III Management Council Academic Issues Subcommittee
Waiver Directive -- Cooperative Educational Work Experiences

For waivers of NCAA Bylaw 14.1.8.1 for those student-athletes seeking a waiver of full-time enrollment for the 2011-12 academic year and thereafter, a waiver shall be granted for student-athletes participating in a cooperative educational work experience program that is not a required element of the institution's degree program, if the request demonstrates the experience is common or highly recommended in the field of study. To substantiate this assertion, the following documentation must be provided:

1. Official Statement. A statement from the institution's academic authority that confirms both:

    a. The program is common and/or highly recommended in the student-athlete's field of study, and

    b. The student-athlete meets the institutional requirements necessary for participation in the program.

2. Institutional Materials. The pertinent portion(s) of any institutional material(s) that reflect that cooperative educational work experience is common and/or highly recommended in the student-athlete's field of study (e.g., the institution's course catalog, program literature or the official bulletin specific to the student-athlete's degree program or major).

In addition, when reviewing these requests, the subcommittee will refer to the applicant institution's academic eligibility standards to gauge the student-athlete's academic achievement. This policy is consistent with the Division III philosophy that the institution's own academic standards are the appropriate benchmarks for academic success.

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MANAGEMENT COUNCIL PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS SUBCOMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Item.

- **Playing and Practice Seasons Waiver-- Appeal – North Central College—Waiver of Permissible Period for Nontraditional Segment—Softball.**

a. Recommendation: Deny the appeal by North Central College requesting to conduct its nontraditional segment for softball outside the permissible playing period.

b. Background: Bylaw 17.1.3 permits the subcommittee to waive the requirements of Bylaw 17 for institutions with nontraditional academic calendars that are unable to reasonably conduct its playing season within the Bylaw 17 parameters. North Central College filed a waiver pursuant to Bylaw 17.1.3 to allow its softball team to conduct its nontraditional segment in December when the institution conducts a four week mini-term. Per Bylaw 17.20.4, the nontraditional segment shall end not later than five weekdays before the final exam period for the fall semester. This mini-term occurs after conclusion of the fall semester, thus necessitating the waiver. The subcommittee denied the waiver for the reasons set forth in the rationale below. The institution is appealing this decision with its rationale included in the addendum.

c. Rationale: The subcommittee reviewed the information submitted by the institution and denied the waiver for the following reasons:

(1) The subcommittee determined that the institution's nontraditional academic calendar did not interfere with the institution's ability to conduct its non-traditional segment. The institution had nine weeks in the fall term, ample time to conduct the four or five week nontraditional segment.

(2) The subcommittee was sympathetic to the institution's plight regarding lack of facility time, but indicated this was a concern for many institutions and was not sufficient rationale for waiving the requirements of Bylaw 17.

(3) Granting the waiver would not positively impact student-athlete well being. The subcommittee believed the advantages for student-athletes participating during the institution's fall semester outweighed the benefits of participating during the requested period.

(4) Granting the waiver could provide a greater competitive advantage by condensing the time period between the nontraditional segment and traditional segment.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

- Review of Proposal Requiring Day Off. As of August 1, 2011, per Proposal 2011-7, engaging in voluntary workouts with certified strength and conditioning coaches will not be considered an athletically related activity. The New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference ("NEWMAC") requested the subcommittee consider sponsoring a noncontroversial proposal ensuring that student-athletes may not engage in these activities during the required day off during the declared playing season. Further they requested that outside the playing season they would not be permitted to engage in these activities on at least one day per week. The NEWMAC sponsored a Convention proposal that would accomplish this, but made the request to this subcommittee for the purpose of having the effective date coincide with Proposal 2011-7. The subcommittee declined to make the recommendation determining that the issue was not imminent, but rather a vote at Convention would be benefitted by four months of observing the impact of the new legislation.

Committee Chair: Chris Martin, Commissioner College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin
Staff Liaisons: Amy Huchthausen, Academic and Membership Affairs
Jeff Myers, Academic and Membership Affairs
Kristin Nesbitt, Academic and Membership Affairs
Liz Turner Suscha, Championships

b. **Bylaw 31.3.3.2.2 Secondary Criteria -- Ranking and Selection.**

(1) Recommendation. For football only, modify Bylaw 31.3.3.2.2 to reflect that, when all criteria are equal among teams with undefeated records in the primary criteria, the NCAA Division III Football Committee can evaluate a team's performance in the previous championship season in the secondary criteria.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The maximum number of games that a football team can play is 10. The conference schedule typically determines 80 to 90 percent of those games, which is significantly higher than any other sport. After taking into account conference games (an automatic .500 strength-of-schedule), the committee is left with only one or two games that have statistical significance within the existing criteria. Thus, the rankings/selections data provides very little objective information to use in ranking teams. The data that is available in the primary criteria for the first two rankings, and sometimes also for the third ranking, often includes only the win-loss percentage and strength-of-schedule [opponents' win-loss percentage (OWP) and opponents' opponents' win-loss percentage (OOWP)]. Limited or no data is available for in-region head-to-head competition, in-region results versus common opponents and in-region results versus ranked teams. It is also very common for fifteen or more teams to have no losses.

Under the existing selection criteria, a good team in a strong conference is at a significant disadvantage. For example, College A and College B are both 10-0. Ninety percent of their schedules reflect a .500 OOWP, since each conference has an equal number of wins and losses, even though College A plays in a strong conference and had a much tougher road getting to 9-0 than College B. Moreover, no teams in contention are willing to play College A in a 10th contest, so it is forced to schedule a weaker team, resulting in a strength-of-schedule slightly less than .500. In contrast, College B, from a weaker conference, has many opportunities to schedule a 10th contest, so it schedules and beats a decent team, resulting in a strength-of-schedule slightly over .500. Based on the data, the committee has no choice but to rank College B over College A, even though it believes that College A is superior to College B.

Permitting the committee to consider a team's performance in the previous championship season would provide an additional criterion to use to evaluate the teams and distinguish one undefeated team from another.

Unlike many sports, a football team's success is based on the performance of a significant number of players; thus the rise and fall of a team is usually not affected by the graduation of a few players. If a team has done well in the previous championship and is currently undefeated, there is a significant probability that the team's prior success is an indicator of future success.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. **Bylaw 12.6.1 Professional Sports Organizations and Bylaw 31.1.12 Restricted Advertising and Sponsorship Activities.**

(1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention 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.

(2) Effective Date. August 1, 2012.

(3) Rationale. In the fall of 2010, the NCAA Division III Presidents Council withdrew NCAA Division III Proposal No. 2011-2-6 regarding advertising and sponsorship by professional sports organizations for NCAA championships. 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).

Each division has been operating under a waiver for NCAA championships that have occurred since the issue was originally raised and a legislative change is necessary for future NCAA championships.

While the original issue centered on NCAA championships, the proposed legislative action item is presented to apply for any intercollegiate competition event so that institutions and conferences would not be held to a different standard than the NCAA. Each division is not required to have the same legislation for institutions, conferences and the NCAA within its own division. It is strongly advised, however, that each division agree on the same legislation for NCAA championships (competition and ancillary events) in order to ensure a consistent championships experience for student-athletes in all divisions. In particular, for combined championships such as men's lacrosse (Divisions I, II and III), women's lacrosse (Divisions II and III), and women's rowing (Divisions I, II and III), a result that has the divisions with different legislation for NCAA championships creates practical implications that would likely mean combined championships would no longer occur.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

d. **Bylaw 31.1.9.1 Failure to Adhere to Policies and Procedures -- Financial Penalties.**

(1) Recommendation. Modify the administrative regulation contained within Bylaw 31.1.9.1 to increase the maximum penalty that may be imposed for an institution's failure to adhere to published administrative procedures for the submission of regular-season results, availability questionnaires and/or entry forms, from $300 to $600.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The $300 maximum financial penalty for failure to adhere to policies and procedures governing championships administration has not increased since the adoption of the provision. Research suggests that $600 in today's dollars is the equivalent of $300 when the original legislation was adopted. This proposal increases the maximum fine that may be imposed without seeking prior championships committee approval. Any fine above $600 would continue to require prior championships committee approval.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Championship Bench Size Limits.

(1) Recommendation. Adjust bench size limits for the championships noted below for the 2011-12 academic year. The additional positions are to be filled at the institution's discretion with student-athletes permitted to be in uniform and participate in practice and warm-ups (refer to Nonlegislative Action Item b). Established squad size limits (i.e., the number of student-athletes permitted to participate in a contest) will remain unchanged.

- Baseball – from 34 to 35;
- Field hockey – from 32 to 34;
- Football – from 72 to 75;
- Men's lacrosse – from 38 to 42;
- Men's and women's soccer – from 32 to 35;
- Men's and women's tennis – bench area not applicable, but the number of participants eligible for practice and pre-match warm-up changes from eight to nine; and
- Men's and women's ice hockey – due to current playing rules, bench area remains at 27 and number of participants eligible for pre-game warm-up remains at 22 (not more than 19 skaters and three goalkeepers) for the 2012 championships, but number of participants changes from 21 to 23.

(2) Effective Date. 2011-12 academic year (single championship season only).

(3) Rationale. The committee is recommending the bench size increases in response to a resolution adopted at the 2011 NCAA Convention that promised to study the appropriate number of student-athletes allowed in the bench area at various Division III championships. The Management Council should anticipate a follow-up recommendation for review during its October 2011 meeting for corresponding increases to the squad size and travel party of the applicable sports as part of the 2012-14 biennium championships budget request.

The committee suggests this two-step approach in order to respond to immediate concerns about providing additional student-athletes access to the championships experience while focusing on the interest to fully fund the experience whenever possible. And, while the committee considered an unfunded or partially funded approach to bench size expansion, it determined that a fully funded experience better controls for competitive equity and undue pressure on facilities.

By-sport recommendations were based on data compiled from previous championships, including a review of the average squad sizes of previous championship participants, and input requested from sport committees. The committee concluded that the existing limits in some sports were adequate and, as a result, did not recommend changes for those sports. As part of its analysis, the committee evaluated total championship opportunities by gender to ensure that the proposed bench size increases do not disproportionately favor one gender over the other.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. Funding for the additional bench size positions will be at the institution's expense in 2011-12, since additional personnel above and beyond the squad size and travel party are not reimbursed by the NCAA. In subsequent years, the increases would be fully funded, pending budget approval.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. The two-stage approach places a punctuated emphasis on providing a quality championships experience for a greater number of student-athletes. As a result, student-athletes will have a meaningful championships experience outright rather than limiting the opportunity to those institutions that can afford it.

b. Bylaw 31.1.5 Squad Limits.

(1) Recommendation. Approve a one-year waiver of the administrative regulation contained within Bylaw 31.1.5 for those sports contained within the championships bench size limits recommendation (refer to Nonlegislative Action Item a), specifically baseball, field hockey, football, men's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, and men's and women's tennis.

(2) Effective Date. 2011-12 academic year (single championship season only).

(3) Rationale. The existing bylaw limits the number of student-athletes permitted in competitive uniform at the start of the competition to the squad size established for the sport. With expanded championships access allowed

through the championships bench size limits recommendation, the permissible number of student-athletes in competitive uniform can exceed the squad size limit. A one-year waiver would allow the designation of the appropriate number of student-athletes in competitive uniform to comply with the recommendation contained within the championships bench size limits recommendation.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Team Personnel – Travel Party and Bench Size Requirement. As a part of its discussion concerning championships bench size limits, the committee also considered recommendations to accommodate non-student-athlete personnel as part of the bench area limits. Pending the approval of the forthcoming recommendation concerning squad size increases (refer to Nonlegislative Action Item a), the committee anticipates submission of a companion proposal that, by the 2012-13 academic year, will require institutions in team sports other than golf and tennis to include an athletic trainer or team physician as a member of the existing travel party. For football, the requirement will be applicable for two such positions. If an institution does not comply, then that spot(s) in the travel party will not be eligible for reimbursement. Institutions also will be allowed to include one additional medical personnel (which could be a student athletic trainer) – or two additional for football – in the bench area at the institution's expense. In addition, the committee intends to propose that an additional member of the travel party be designated for a team administrator as part of the 2012-14 biennium championships budget request. Currently, while it is required for participating institutions to bring an administrator who does not have other specified duties at the championship, that person is not funded.

2. Sport Regional Alignment and Ranking. The committee reviewed its work to date on the sport regional alignment and ranking project, noting the recent feedback received from sport committees. Several sport committees expressed concern over eliminating what appears to be obvious regional competition (e.g., State University of New York Athletic Conference institutions competing against New Jersey Athletic Conference institutions) due to the proposed sport-region boundaries as well as the disproportionate size of some regions (e.g., New England). In response to the alignment concerns, the committee discussed a de-emphasis on primary criteria in favor of a single set of criteria for contests against Division III opponents, as long as institutions meet a standard percentage of in-region competition

played (e.g. 75 percent) that is consistent with the Division III emphasis on in-region competition. The committee also reviewed feedback from sport committees regarding the number of teams that should be ranked per region. The committee intends to seek additional feedback regarding these issues from sport committees during the upcoming September in-person meeting with sport committee chairs.

3. Automatic Qualification Declaration Forms. In an effort to standardize the process and timeline for submitting the automatic qualification (AQ) declaration forms for sports across all divisions, the committee supported a recommendation to move to a single-submission date of February 1. Previously, conference offices were asked to submit the forms for the purpose of declaring AQ eligibility for the subsequent year based on a staggered schedule (i.e., December 1 for fall sports and May 1 for winter and spring sports).

4. Sport Committee Recommendations.

a. Women's Basketball. Approved that each region rank eight teams, except for the Northeast region, which would continue to rank ten teams, effective for the 2011-12 academic year.

b. Football.

(1) Primary and Secondary Criteria. Tabled the recommendation to modify primary criteria by combining it with the majority of secondary criteria, with the only remaining secondary criteria being results against Divisions I and II institutions. Results against NAIA teams would no longer be considered in the criteria. The committee will consider the recommendation further after the study of the sport regional alignment project, specifically the consideration to de-emphasize in-region (primary) criteria to establish a single set of criteria, as long as institutions meet a standard percentage of in-region competition played (e.g., 75 percent).

(2) Rankings. Approved that the total number of rankings be decreased from four to three and the first ranking not be prior to November 1.

(3) 2010 Championships Misconduct. Approved a financial penalty in the sum of $1,000 for misconduct by the head coach of a participating institution, consistent with Bylaw 31.1.8.3(i). Upon approval of this request, the NCAA Division III Football Committee will issue a public reprimand with a $1,000 fine to the institution. The institution will either accept the reprimand and fine or submit an appeal to the Championships Committee.

c. Field Hockey. Approved that Wendy Orrison, head field hockey coach and associate professor at Washington and Lee University, serve as chair of the NCAA Division III Field Hockey Committee. Ms. Orrison has been an active member of the Field Hockey Coaches Association and a member of the committee since 2009. In addition, she served for three years as a member of a regional advisory committee prior to joining the national committee.

d. Rowing. Approved that the date for selections be standardized to the Monday after the second Sunday of May in order to always accommodate a significant late-season competition. Currently, the date is the second Tuesday in May, which creates an undesirable calendar hitch once every seven years.

e. Men's Soccer.

(1) Automatic Qualifiers. Approved that the following 41 conferences be granted automatic qualification for the 2011 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Championship: Allegheny Mountain Athletic Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference; Centennial Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Freedom Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Liberty League; Little East Athletic Conference; Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Collegiate Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference; New Jersey Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; Skyline Athletic Conference; Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference; St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; The Commonwealth Coast Conference; University Athletic Association; Upper Midwest Athletic Conference; and USA South Athletic Conference.

(2) Appointment of Committee Chair. Approved that Bill Brady, head men's soccer coach at Haverford College, be appointed to serve as the 2011-12 NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Committee chair. Mr. Brady has been a significant contributor to the committee during his previous three years on the committee.

f. Women's Soccer.

(1) Selection Criteria. Approved that the implementation of the strength-of-schedule (SOS) multiplier for the NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Championship be delayed for the 2011-12 season. At its recent annual meeting, the NCAA Division III Women's Soccer Committee determined that it would review the multiplier as applied to men's soccer and evaluate it for future application at the end of the season.

(2) Automatic Qualifiers. Approved that the following 42 conferences be granted automatic qualification for the 2011 championship: Allegheny Mountain Athletic Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference; Centennial Conference; College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Freedom Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Great South Athletic Conference; Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Liberty League; Little East Athletic Conference; Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Collegiate Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference; New Jersey Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; Skyline Athletic Conference; Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference; St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; The Commonwealth Coast Conference; University Athletic Association; Upper Midwest Athletic Conference; USA South Athletic Conference; and Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

(3) Appointment of Committee Chair. Approved that Jonathan Harper, commissioner of the Little East Conference, serve as the 2011-12 committee chair. Mr. Harper has been a significant contributor to the committee during his previous two years on the committee.

g. Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving. Accepted as information a draft proposal to revise the diving selections process. The proposal would replace the existing video-qualification model currently used for NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships selections with regional qualification meets to emphasize head-to-head competition for the opportunity to advance to the championships. The NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee intends to submit a formal proposal for consideration during the September 2011 Championships Committee meeting.

h. Wrestling.

(1) Conference Waiver. Approved that the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) receive a waiver to remain eligible to receive automatic qualifiers for the 2012 Division III Wrestling Championships despite a drop from seven to six conference members for the 2011-12 academic year. The committee supports the one-year waiver as it expects to review a proposal to change the championships qualifying format for the 2013 championship and beyond (refer to Sport Committee Recommendations – Wrestling, item 2).

(2) Championships Qualifying Format. Accepted as information a draft proposal to revise the wrestling championships qualifying format. The NCAA Division III Wrestling Committee intends to recommend that all qualifiers advance to the championships from one of six NCAA sponsored regional competitions. The change would coincide with an increase in the total number of student-athletes competing at the championships, from 170 to 180. The top three wrestlers from each weight class would advance to the championships, 30 from each of six regional competitions for a total of 180 qualifiers.

5. Championship Site Recommendations.

a. Field Hockey. Approved Nichols College as the host of the 2011 NCAA Division III Field Hockey Championship at Vendetti Field in Dudley, Massachusetts.

b. Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field. Approved the University of Wisconsin, La Crosse as the host of the 2013 NCAA Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Roger Harring Stadium at Veterans Memorial Field Sports Complex in La Crosse, Wisconsin.

c. Wrestling.

(1) 2013 and 2014 Site Selection. Approved Cornell College as the host of the 2013 and 2014 NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships at the U.S. Cellular Center in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

(2) 2012 Regional Site Selection.

i. Approved Augsburg College as the host of the 2012 NCAA Division III Wrestling Great Lakes Regional at Si Melby Hall in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ii. Approved Case Western Reserve as the host of the 2012 NCAA Division III Wrestling Midwest Regional at Horsburgh Gymnasium in Cleveland, Ohio.

6. Sport Committee Appointments. The Championships Committee approved recommendations for appointments to the following sports committees. All appointments will be effective September 1, 2011, unless otherwise noted.

a. Division III Baseball Committee. Mid-Atlantic region: Bill Stiles, director of athletics and recreation, Alvernia University.

b. Division III Women's Basketball Committee. East region: Tara Ruckh, women's basketball coach, State University of New York at Potsdam. Great Lakes region: Dixie Jeffers, women's basketball coach/senior woman administrator, Capital University.

c. Division III Field Hockey Committee. North Atlantic region: Wendy Andreatta, head field hockey coach, University of Rochester.

d. Division III Football Committee. South region: Loren Dawson, head football coach, Austin College.

e. Division III Women's Ice Hockey Committee. ECAC East Hockey League: Renee Hellert, assistant director of athletics, New England College.

f. Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. Atlantic region: Mary Kate Curran, head women's track and field coach, St. Lawrence University.

g. Division III Women's Volleyball Committee. Immediate vacancy replacing Sue DuMars – Mid-Atlantic region: Pamela Samuelson, director of athletics, Susquehanna University. Immediate vacancy replacing Elise Cooper – New York region: Jonathan Penn, head women's volleyball coach, Vassar College. September vacancy – West region: Mari Burningham, head women's volleyball coach, University of Redlands.

h. Division III Wrestling Committee. Immediate vacancy replacing Frank O'Brien – Midwest region: Dick Simmons, associate director of athletics, Cornell College.

Committee Chair: Stuart Robinson, State University College at New Paltz
Championship Managers: Jan Gentry, Championships
Liz Turner Suscha, Championships
John Williams, Championships

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III COMMITTEE ON INFRACTIONS

ACTION ITEM.

- **NCAA Bylaw 19.5.2 – Penalties for Major Violations.**

1. Recommendation: Pursuant to Constitution 5.2.3.3, ratify the following enforcement policy and procedure to amend the penalty structure for major violations, as specified.

19.5.2 Penalties for Major Violations

19.5.2.1 Presumptive Penalty. The presumptive penalty for a major violation, subject to exceptions authorized by the Committee on Infractions on the basis of specifically stated reasons, shall include all of the following:

(a) A two-year probationary period (including a periodic in-person monitoring system and written institutional reports);

(b) The reduction in the number of expense-paid recruiting visits to the institution in the involved sport for one recruiting year;

(c) A restriction on activities and benefits provided during unofficial visits.

(d) A requirement that all coaching staff members in the sport be prohibited from engaging in any off-campus recruiting activities for up to one recruiting year;

(e) A requirement that all institutional staff members determined by the committee knowingly to have engaged in or condoned a major violation be subject to:
(1) Termination of employment;
(2) Suspension without pay for at least one year;
(3) Reassignment of duties within the institution to a position that does not include contact with prospective or enrolled student-athletes or representatives of the institution's athletics interests for at least one year; or
(4) Other disciplinary action approved by the committee.

(f) Sanctions precluding postseason competition in the sport, particularly in those cases in which:

(1) Involved individuals remain active in the program;
(2) A significant competitive advantage results from the violation(s); or
(3) The violation(s) reflect a lack of institutional control.

(g) Institutional recertification that the current athletics policies and practices conform to all requirements of NCAA regulations.

[Remainder of 19.5.2 unchanged.]

2. Effective date: Immediate.

3. Rationale: It has come to the attention of the office of the Committees on Infractions that, over the past decade or so, many institutions have moved away from using official paid visits as a recruiting tool in favor of unofficial visits. Limitations on the number of expense-paid ("official") visits is a penalty available to the Committees on Infractions in all three Divisions under Bylaw 19.5.2. (2010-11 NCAA Manuals). There is currently no penalty available that addresses unofficial visits. In Division III, there are no limits on the number of official or unofficial visits and it would be difficult to restrict prospects in making unofficial visits to campuses. However, it would appear that there could be restrictions placed on the benefits and activities made available to prospects by institutions during unofficial visits. In Division III, examples of such include the following (See: Bylaw 13.7):

- Tickets or passes to athletics contests
- Transportation to view practice and competition sites on the institution's campus
- A meal for the prospective student-athlete and his or her relative or legal guardian
- Housing
- Contact with institutional staff members

The members of the Division III COI have approved the proposed new penalty relating to unofficial visits. The new penalty would restrict or prohibit activities and benefits allowed during unofficial visits. As reflected above, it would be inserted after the penalty which allows for a reduction in the number of expense-paid ("official") recruiting visits and would read "Restrictions on activities and

benefits available during unofficial visits." The specifics of the restrictions would be spelled out in each case as deemed appropriate by the Committees on Infractions.

4. Estimated Budget Impact: None.

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

Committee Chair: Keith Jacques, Woodman Edmands Danylik Austin Smith & Jacques, public member
Staff Liaison(s): Shep Cooper and Jim Elworth, office for the Committees on Infractions

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III INFRACTIONS APPEALS COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **Renaming the NCAA Division III Infractions Appeals Committee hearing.**

(1) Recommendation. Revise NCAA Bylaws 19 and 32 to change "hearing" to "oral argument" in sections related to the Infractions Appeals Committee.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The NCAA Division I Committee on Infractions and the NCAA Division I Infractions Appeals Committee Clarification Task Force were charged by the NCAA Division I Board of Directors to review recommendations implemented as a result of the 2006 Enforcement Audit Report May 2006 (Duff Report). A particular area of focus for this working group was on those recommendations that addressed procedures for conducting hearings of the Committee on Infractions and the Infractions Appeals Committee, as well as reviewing and clarifying the relationship between Committee on Infractions and Infractions Appeals Committee.

One of the recommendations from this group was to rename the Infractions Appeals' hearing. The Infractions Appeals Committee process should not be called a "hearing." It is not a hearing which would include the submission of evidence and witness testimony. It is an oral argument where an oral presentation of the party's position and reasoning behind it is presented to an appellate body. The task force believed this change further clarified the process.

Given the purpose of the Infractions Appeals Committee process is consistent across divisions, the Division III Infractions Appeals Committee recommends renaming its hearing to "oral argument".

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- None.

Committee Chair: Robert V. Antonucci, Fitchburg State University, Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Wendy Walters, Membership and Student-Athlete Affairs
LaMan Dantzler, Academic and Membership Affairs
Alex Smith, Academic and Membership Affairs

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

a. Modification of Wording – NCAA Division III Constitution 3.2.4.15 (Convention and Regional Rules Seminar Attendance).

(1) Recommendation. Approve in concept and final legislative format a modification of wording to clarify that an institutional voting delegate must be present and vote at the NCAA Convention business session in order to meet the legislated attendance requirement. (See M-2012-2 in supplement No. 23)

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The NCAA Division III Membership Committee noted the original intent of the NCAA Convention attendance legislation was that it be satisfied by an institutional staff member casting a vote. The committee has been operating under this threshold since the legislation was adopted. This modification of wording will reflect the committee's intent and better clarify the requirement for member institutions.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Convention Legislation – NCAA Division III Constitution 3.3 (Member Conference) – Core and Member Conference Consistency.

(1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention to clarify the benefits, conditions and obligations of conference membership and align conference membership requirements with those required for automatic qualification (AQ) standards as outlined in a separate 2012 Convention proposal.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2012.

(3) Rationale. The governance structure supported legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to permit institutions to only be core in one conference for AQ purposes. In its support of this proposal, the governance structure charged the Membership Committee with reviewing conference membership regulations to ensure consistency and clarity in conference benefits, conditions and obligation regulations. This proposal reflects the committee's review of the regulations and brings increased consistency and clarity to the member conference regulations.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division III Constitution 3.6.3.1.1 (Fee for Provisional Members).

(1) Recommendation. Approve in concept noncontroversial legislation that modifies the provisional and reclassifying membership fee structure such that the amount of the fee(s) will be determined annually by the Division III Membership Committee based on the continual analysis of expenses and benefits associated with the membership process.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2013.

(3) Rationale. As expenses to provide educational services and support to provisional and reclassifying members increase due to changes in programming and costs, it has become necessary to change the fee structure to cover NCAA national office programming expenses. Therefore, it will be necessary to periodically evaluate this fee and increase as appropriate. Further, use of the NCAA mark (e.g., blue disk) provides financial value and benefits to institutions and the committee recognizes that the blue disk value should be a factor in any future provisional and reclassifying fee(s).

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. Periodic increase to institutions in the membership process.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Constitution 3.2.4.15.3 (Waiver) – NCAA Convention Attendance Waiver Request.

(1) Recommendation. Approve a waiver of the 2011 NCAA Convention attendance requirement per Constitution 3.2.4.15.3 (waiver) for Southern Vermont College.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2010 through September 1, 2011; for the 2011 NCAA Convention.

(3) Rationale. The institution was unable to attend due to extraordinary weather conditions, personal hardship and the combination of both factors. The committee recognized, however, that the institution still took measures to ensure its vote was cast through its conference commissioner.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Sports Sponsorship Waiver -- Wheelock College Waiver of 20.11.3 (Sports Sponsorship).

(1) Recommendation. Approve a sport sponsorship waiver for Wheelock College per NCAA Division III Bylaw 20.11.3.6.1 (male-female enrollment ratio waiver).

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2010 – September 1, 2011; for the 2010-11 academic year.

(3) Rationale. The committee noted that the institution was granted a sports sponsorship waiver per NCAA Bylaw 20.11.3.9.2 (single-gender institution transitioning to coeducational institution) during the 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 academic years. Specifically, the institution anticipated the full integration of males during this three-year transition period. However, during the 2010-11 academic year the institution still had a disproportionate enrollment ratio and few men had enrolled. The institution sponsors the requisite number of sports for males, but was unsuccessful in meeting the minimum participant requirement in one sport. The institution provided the committee a plan that demonstrated how the institution will meet future sports sponsorship requirements and outlined active measures the institution takes to solicit male student-athletes. Further, the institution demonstrated that a large number of male students are student-athletes and are provided participation opportunities.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(6) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. NCAA Division III Constitution 3.2.5.1 (Termination or Suspension) - Membership Termination - New York City College of Technology.

(1) Recommendation. Terminate New York City College of Technology's NCAA membership for failure to satisfy penalty terms.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate. The institution will no longer be considered an NCAA member beginning with 2011-12 academic year and thereafter.

(3) Rationale. The institution is currently in restricted status for failure to adhere to sports sponsorship requirements for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 academic years. The institution was required to complete a compliance assessment as a term of its penalty. The institution failed to satisfactorily complete the assessment on three different occasions. [See Attachment]

(4) Budget Impact. The institution will no longer receive NCAA benefits.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. The institution's student-athletes will no longer receive NCAA benefits, including access to NCAA championships.

d. NCAA Constitution 3.1.2 (athletics consortiums) – Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges -- Athletics Consortium Request.

(1) Recommendation. Approve renewal of a four-year athletics consortium between the Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges, subject to renewal prior to the 2015-16 academic year.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2011 through September 1, 2015; for the 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 academic year.

(3) Rationale. Claremont McKenna, Harvey Mudd and Scripps Colleges have a prior, ongoing academic consortium relationship. The institutions also have a long-standing athletics consortium and this request is a renewal of the previously approved athletics consortium. Further, the conference(s) in which the institutions are a member have approved the requested athletics consortium.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. Renewal of the athletics consortium permits student-athletes from each institution to continue to participate as part of one athletics program.

e. NCAA Constitution 3.1.2 (athletics consortiums) – Pomona-Pitzer Colleges -- Athletics Consortium Request.

(1) Recommendation. Approve renewal of a four-year athletics consortium membership between the Pomona-Pitzer Colleges, subject to renewal prior to the 2015-16 academic year.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2011 – September 1, 2015; for the 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 academic year.

(3) Rationale. The Pomona-Pitzer Colleges have a prior, ongoing academic consortium relationship. The institutions also have a long-standing athletics consortium and this request is a renewal of the previously approved athletics consortium. Further, the conference(s) in which the institutions are a member have approved the requested athletics consortium.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. Renewal of the athletics consortium permits student-athletes from each institution to continue to participate as part of one athletics program.

f. Provisional Member Annual Reports – Active Membership – NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (Application).

(1) Recommendation. Elect the following institutions to active Division III membership per NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (application):

(a) Franciscan University Steubenville;

(b) Geneva College; and

(c) St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn).

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2011.

(3) Rationale. Based on its review of the aforementioned institutions' annual reports, the committee agreed that the institutions should be elected into active membership.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

g. Reclassifying Member Annual Reports – Active Membership – NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (Application).

(1) Recommendation. Elect Birmingham-Southern College to active Division III membership per NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (application).

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2011.

(3) Rationale. Based on its review of Birmingham-Southern's annual report, the committee agreed that the institution should be elected into active membership.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

h. Provisional/Reclassifying Member Waiver of the Four-Year Provisional Period – Penn State Abington – NCAA Bylaw 20.3.3.1.1 (General).

(1) Recommendation. Approve a waiver of the four-year provisional period per Bylaw 20.3.3.1.1 (general) for Penn State Abington.

(2) Effective Date. September 1, 2011.

(3) Rationale. The committee noted that the institution has been exemplary during provisional years one and two, reflecting the ideals of Division III and deserves to be exempt from year three of the standard four-year process consistent with established waiver criteria. For example, the committee noted the institution prepared for Division III membership prior to commencing the provisional process. Further, several institutional administrators (e.g., Chancellor, Provost/Vice President, Director of Athletics) have been involved and active within the division and its programming opportunities.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Review of Compliance Assessments – for Probation Institutions. Four compliance assessments were reviewed by the committee. Three of the assessments were deemed acceptable and the institutions will be provided feedback to enhance their athletics departments and institutional policies and procedures. One institution will be recommended for membership termination due its failure to satisfactorily complete its assessment while concurrently being in restricted status. The institution will be afforded an appeal opportunity before final action is recommended to the Division III Management Council.

2. **Regional Rules Seminars Attendance Requirement – Medgar Evers College Failure to Comply with NCAA Constitution 3.2.4.15 (Convention and Regional Rules Seminar Attendance)**. The committee reviewed the participant numbers for the 2011 Regional Rules Seminars and noted that one institution failed to attend the seminars in accordance with the once-in-three-years requirement per Constitution 3.2.4.15. Medgar Evers College requested the committee waive the Regional Rules Seminars attendance requirement due to personnel transition. The committee denied the waiver request and the institution will be placed on probation for a three year period commencing September 1, 2011.

3. **Sports-Sponsorship Audit -- Review**. The committee reviewed sports sponsorship audit data including, but not limited to, institutional profile, number of institutions selected at random in a given academic year, number of institutions selected for cause in a given academic year, process outcomes of institutions audited, and percent of institutions audited compared with overall division. The committee agreed to continue the current method (i.e., randomly audit 10-percent of those institutions that sponsor fewer than eight sports for each gender that have not been audited to date; audit for cause institutions based on committee criteria), but expand the field of randomly-selected institutions by auditing two-percent of those institutions that sponsor more than eight sports for each gender. The committee noted its decision is rooted in ensuring all Division III institutions understand and satisfy the established standards. The committee also noted this enhanced standard would not be effective until the 2011-12 audit commences.

4. **Sports Sponsorship – Minimum Contest and Participants Review**. The committee reviewed contest and student-athlete participant data. The committee considered the variation in institutional contests and participants and noted that the current contest and participant minimums as legislated in NCAA Bylaw 20.11.3.8 (minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship) are still appropriate. The committee agreed to solidify the process and criteria it would use to make modifications to the minimums at a future meeting.

   The committee also considered a number of sports sponsorship minimum related topics as follows:

   a. Women's Golf. The committee reviewed a request from the Division III Women's Golf Committee that sought to reduce the minimum participant number per Bylaw 20.11.3.8 from five to four. The committee observed that unique challenges exist in recruiting women's golf student-athletes in Division III and the corresponding lower participant numbers, but did not find that the reported data supported a reduction in the participant minimum. The committee recognized that relief could be provided through a Championships Committee waiver and, therefore, was not in favor of a permanent, legislative reduction. Further, the committee agreed that, generally, the minimum participant and minimum contest numbers should be standardized across

gender within the same sport; therefore, the committee also considered whether to reduce the minimum participant number for both men's and women's golf. The committee noted that lowering the minimums for both genders may not benefit either gender and, consequently, took no action.

b. Swimming and Diving. The committee reviewed a referral from the Interpretations and Legislation Committee (ILC). ILC referred Division I Proposal No. 2010-103 which reduces the Division I contest minimums in swimming and diving. The Division I sports sponsorship minimums were higher than Division III standards. The committee reviewed Division III swimming and diving sports sponsorship data and noted that current Division III swimming and diving minimums are appropriate.

c. Club Competition. The committee reviewed a request to consider permitting contests against club teams of four-year degree granting institutions to count toward meeting contest minimums detailed in Bylaw 20.11.3.8. The committee discussed the issue and declined to take action. In reaching its decision, the committee noted a lack of rigor in regulations and consistency for club teams that is contrary to the regulations that must be followed by Division III institutions.

5. Dashboard Indicators. The NCAA Executive Committee charged the Division II and III Membership Committees with developing an educational initiative that would 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. An institution pursuing NCAA membership should be required to study its potential affiliations in order to ensure the institution reaches a well-informed decision. The Executive Committee indicated this model should include detailed and "user-friendly" comparisons of each division and a comparison model that highlights differences among divisions prior to an institution entering a provisional membership process. In its consideration of the Executive Committee's charge, the committee considered possible indicators that would be of value to any institution considering NCAA membership. The committee suggested that data be included among dashboard indicators such as ethnic/minority enrollment and participation; facility structure and use; personnel salary information (including athletic training staff); budget with scholarships (Divisions I and II institutions) versus budget without scholarships; length of the playing season and its financial impact on an institution; and the population of residential and nonresidential students. The committee noted the aforementioned elements should be considered in conjunction with any previous recommendations.

6. Provisional/Reclassifying Process and Advancement. The committee reviewed annual reports and educational materials for each provisional and reclassifying institution currently in the provisional/reclassifying process. As a result of each respective institution's performance in the provisional/reclassifying program, the following designations will take effect September 1, 2011:

a. Year One to Year Two: Centenary College (Louisiana).

b. Year Two to Year Three: Berry College and Covenant College.

c. Year Three to Year Four: Penn State Abington [pending approval of nonlegislative action item (g), pages 5-6]; Spalding University; State University of New York at Cobleskill.

7. Exploratory Membership. The committee accepted the following institutions to the Division III exploratory process for the 2011-12 academic year:

a. Georgetown College.

b. Houghton College.

c. Kentucky Wesleyan College.

d. Sarah Lawrence College.

e. Southern Virginia University.

f. State University of New York at Canton.

g. Valley Forge Christian College.

8. Referral from Interpretations and Legislation Committee (ILC) – NCAA Bylaw 20.11.3.8.4 (Counting Multiteam Events in Individual Sports). The committee reviewed Bylaw 20.11.3.8.4 and considered allowing an institution that competed in a multiteam competition to automatically count the competition as two institution-versus-institution contests for sports sponsorship purposes regardless of scoring administration. The current requirement dictates that institutions must have two official scores in order to count the multiteam competition as two contests. The committee noted that the institutions should request two institution-versus-institution scores in advance of competition in order to demonstrate and practice proactive review and assessment of their sports sponsorship compliance.

9. Educational Initiatives and Membership Materials.

a. Compliance Education Models. The committee explored the concept of diversifying compliance and divisional education. The committee viewed an online training module recently developed for NCAA staff as a model of what could be done through an online platform. The committee discussed whether such a format might be useful in lieu of the Division III rules test, but also discussed whether the rules test is itself appropriate as an educational tool in its current format. The committee agreed to continue the rules test, but continually monitor its effectiveness as other tools are developed. Further, the committee expressed a preference for an in-person educational opportunity, but noted enhancements could be made to the current regional seminar structure and remained open to the development of other in-person opportunities. The committee recognized the educational value of dialogue (e.g., question and answer, informal follow-up) betweenNCAA staff and the membership at in-person sessions and, for this reason, supplementing the regional seminars with an online platform is preferred. The committee agreed that the concept of smaller and geographically focused seminars should be an additional focus to provide meaningful educational opportunities. The staff noted that the pilot 2012 New England compliance seminar will be instructive both for this purpose as well as providing data to inform the staff's review of the rules seminars structure for all divisions. The committee acknowledged that due to the pace of legislative changes, administrative turnover and other factors, requiring attendance at regional seminars once every three years is still an appropriate expectation.

b. Institutional Self-Study Guide (ISSG) and *Getting in the Game* Website. NCAA staff previewed a digital demonstration of the ISSG and the *Getting in the Game* educational tool. The committee provided NCAA staff with feedback related to these items.

c. Exploratory Membership Session. The committee noted that financial aid requirements and the reporting process will be more prominent in the exploratory session for the upcoming year.

Committee Chair: *Shana Levine, Washington and Lee University,*
Staff Liaisons: *Azure Davey, Academic and Membership Affairs*
Kristin Nesbitt, Academic and Membership Affairs
Jean Orr, Academic and Membership Affairs

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. **Legislative Item.**

- **Noncontroversial Legislation – Committees - Student-Athlete Advisory Committee - Vacancies.**

  a. Recommendation. To approve in concept noncontroversial legislation shifting the SAAC selection process wholly to the Division III Nominating Committee. Further, the committee suggests a student-athlete serve on the Nominating Committee in an ex-officio capacity for selections to Division III SAAC.

  b. Effective Date. Immediate.

  c. Rationale. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) discussed the legislation requiring that the committee review and nominate candidates to fill committee vacancies. The committee indicated that committee nominations and selections should be handled in the same manner as other Division III committees. SAAC noted its preference for involvement in some capacity (e.g., ex-officio on student-athlete committee selections) to provide student-athlete specific guidance to the nominations committee.

  d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

  e. Student-Athlete Impact. SAAC will be able to focus its time and efforts on Special Olympics and other student-athlete initiatives.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Referral to NCAA Division III Nominating Committee: Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Composition.

(1) Recommendation. To request that the Division III Nominating Committee consider decreasing the ethnic minority composition requirement (NCAA Bylaw 21.9.5.10.1) for the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee reviewed data related to ethnic minority enrollment at Division III institutions and current ethnic minority requirements for all Division III committees and Division I and II SAACs. The committee recognized that its ethnic minority composition requirement is high and creates administrative challenges and potential imposed commitments and appointments. The committee also recognized that it should be an advocate for diversity and have an ethnic minority composition requirement that is slightly higher than other committees. Therefore, the committee referred this issue to the Nominating Committee for a review and potential decrease.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Referral to NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee – Championships.

(1) Recommendation. To request that the Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee review the current championship format for men's and women's swimming and diving and consider separating the championships.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee discussed the co-ed Division III Swimming and Diving Championships. The committee was concerned with several aspects that negatively affect student-athletes including crowded deck space that may result in reduced roster sizes, missed class time due to the expansion of days to accommodate both championships, less opportunity to rest between competition because of a condensed schedule and less opportunity for quality warm-up due to both genders sharing lanes. Further, it was noted that this model results in decreased opportunities for institutions with smaller facilities to host swimming championships and would have a disparate impact on single-gender institutions. There was a concern that one gender's student-athletes may receive more attention from coaches who are responsible for both men's and women's teams at a particular institution.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. The student-athlete experience of those participating in the men's and women's championships would be enhanced.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. 2012 NCAA Division III Proposals and Legislation. The committee reviewed the membership and governance-sponsored proposals. The committee developed informal positions and rationale [See Attachment]. The committee will continue to seek feedback from student-athletes as it formalizes its position and prepares position papers for the upcoming Convention.

2. NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee Referrals.

a. **Text messaging to prospective student-athletes on club teams**. The committee was in favor of allowing text messaging to prospective student-athletes that participate on a team coached by a Division III athletics staff member for administrative-related purposes (e.g., cancel practice). The committee noted that its concerns relative to informality and personal intrusion were not relevant because a coach in this situation already has a relationship with the prospective student-athlete. The committee concluded practical aspects outweighed other communication concerns.

b. Transfer exception for a student-athlete who is academically ineligible but has not used a season of participation. The committee discussed the potential for student-athletes to participate in a nontraditional segment, render themselves academically ineligible, transfer and be immediately eligible for competition at a second institution. The committee noted that the division should hold student-athletes accountable for academic standards rather than providing opportunities to student-athletes who render themselves academically ineligible. The committee discussed the concept that a student-athlete should not be allowed to transfer out of trouble. Further, it noted that recently adopted legislation that allows participation in the nontraditional segment without using a season of participation produced an unintended loophole that should be closed. The committee would be in favor of adjusting the legislation to eliminate the unintended loophole. The committee reasoned that allowing student-athletes to transfer out of trouble is inconsistent with Division III values and emphasis on academics.

c. **Certified strength and conditioning coaches**. The committee considered whether all strength and conditioning coaches should be certified in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use, similar to the requirement for head coaches. The committee noted that certification in first aid, CPR and AED use is a safety consideration and strength and conditioning coaches should be trained in these areas since they are now allowed to conduct voluntary workouts.

3. **Special Olympics Partnership with Championships.** The committee received an update on the relationship between Division III Championships and Special Olympics. The committee reviewed its role and potential ideas for a continued, enhanced relationship between Special Olympics and championships. The committee noted that conducting Special Olympics activities and involving Special Olympics Athletes in Division III championship finals will be both rewarding for Division III student-athletes and Special Olympics Athletes. Further, these efforts work well with the division-wide initiative. SAAC members will work with NCAA championships staff, host conferences and institutions and state Special Olympics representatives to conduct Special Olympics events or involvement at all championships sites that are predetermined.

4. **Division III Facebook/Communications.** The committee received an update on the Division III Facebook page and related divisional communication efforts. The committee discussed strategies to more effectively utilize the Division III Facebook page. The committee's suggestions included posting open-ended questions, opinion prompts with the opportunity to 'like' or 'dislike' and simple questions related to sport (e.g. metal vs. plastic cleats). The committee also noted that linking information related to championships could drive traffic from a variety of groups. Additional concepts included a monthly "Day in the Life of a Division III Student-Athlete" and also the incorporation of the Division III Facebook in institutional alumni newsletters. The committee also received guidance related to Sports Information Director (SID)/Student-Athlete relationship building. The committee recognized that the relationship between student-athletes and SIDs is a mutually beneficial relationship and should be an element of any communications strategy.

5. **Stunt and Acrobatics and Tumbling – Information Request.** The committee received an update from SAAC representatives that attended the NCAA Gender Equity Forum. In its review of the Gender Equity Forum programming, the committee recognized the NCAA is considering stunt and acrobatics and tumbling as a potential NCAA emerging sport. The committee requested it receive more education about the sports and about the process the sports would need to go through in order to become an NCAA emerging sport.

6. **Committee on Women's Athletics and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee structural changes.** The committee reviewed the proposed restructure of the inclusion advocacy committees within the governance structure, including the dissolution of the NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues, the creation of a joint body of representatives of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC) to provide broad oversight on inclusion matters and manage specific agendas beyond those related to race and gender, and the creation of joint CWA/MOIC subcommittees to focus on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues, physical disability, and other inclusion priorities that may arise. SAAC recognized the value of combining the two committees but also noted the subcommittees' historical focuses and expertise have been race and gender. The value of including individuals that have are equipped to handle issues outside the scope of race and gender (e.g., disabilities) is an important consideration when finalizing the NCAA governance structure's inclusion strategy.

7. **Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee – Confederate Flag**. The committee discussed the NCAA championships policy regarding states that fly the Confederate flag. The committee discussed the meaning of and emotion evoked by the flag. It was noted the messaging that is associated with the Confederate flag is not only contrary to equity that intercollegiate athletics represents, but also may make student-athletes feel unsafe and unwelcome. The committee discussed whether the policy should extend to both predetermined and non-predetermined championships sites and determined that any institution in a state that has the Confederate flag as part of its state flag should not be considered a safe site for all student-athletes. It was recognized that institutions are not in control of state policy and there may be an impact on student-athletes that attend these institutions, but the committee concluded that when an institution hosts an event, the event and its related activities are not just conducted on the campus but are also in the town, community and state that may endorse anti-NCAA value(s).

8. **Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct Videos.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct report and noted that the committee sought SAAC guidance and involvement in creating sportsmanship videos. In response to this request, the committee recommended providing more information about the RESPECT campaign to student-athletes utilizing new media platforms such as the Division III Facebook. The committee also noted the necessity to emphasize maturity and cheering for your own team rather than against the opposition or personalizing attacks against opposing student-athletes. Further, the committee indicated that any video should provide examples of what sportsmanship is (e.g., clips of a student-athlete carrying an opposing student-athlete around the bases after the batter suffers an injury) versus examples of what not to do. The committee recognized that positive examples of sportsmanship are more compelling and emotional contrasted with the negative, lecture-type messaging of examples of poor sportsmanship. Any potential video should also be concise and positive.

9. Committee Elections. The committee elected the following committee members to the following positions:

- Wildens Fils, Lyndon State College was elected to the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.
- Curtis Coleman, University of Southern Maine was elected to the NCAA Olympics Sports Liaison Committee.
- Karla Conrad, Manchester College was elected to the NCAA Division III Management Council.
- Wes Lambert, Maryville College (TN) was elected vice chair of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Committee Chair: *Brittany Petrella, Rowan University*
Staff Liaison: *Azure Davey, Academic and Membership Affairs*
Jason Montgomery, Enforcement Services
Christina Wright, Student-Athlete Affairs

NCAA Division III Sponsored Legislation for 2012 NCAA Convention

Title	Intent	Source	Effective Date	SAAC Feedback
NCAA Membership -- Conditions and Obligations of Membership -- Eliminating Regional Rules Seminar Attendance Requirement	To eliminate the Regional Rules Seminar attendance requirement.	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Immediate	**Oppose (0-21).** Diversity, ethics, etc don't change every year – rules do; should be an annual requirement; will affect SA well-being if not understanding rules; DIII has the lowest self-reported rule breaks – need to stay in tune with rules; important discussion happens at RRS and leads to other educational foci for both campus and NCAA; DIII has conference grant program to help offset financial burdens; enhanced education – can't simply read and expect comprehension.
Playing and Practice Seasons -- Required Day Off -- Voluntary Strength and Conditioning Activities Prohibited During Required Day Off	During the playing season, to prohibit voluntary activities conducted by certified strength and conditioning personnel during the mandatory day off; further, outside the playing season, to prohibit voluntary activities conducted by certified strength and conditioning personnel one calendar day per week.	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Immediate	**Support (16-0-5)**. If voluntary it's something SA will do on off day anyway – don't need to be conducted, but still monitored for safety purposes; provides a day off for SAs without concern about voluntary compliance. **Q**: can this be legislatively split?

NCAA Division III Sponsored Legislation for 2012 NCAA Convention

Title	Intent	Source	Effective Date	SAAC Feedback
Playing and Practice Seasons -- General Playing Season Regulations -- Postseason Activities Exempting One Postseason Championship From the Declared Playing Season	In all sports, to exclude from the declared playing and practice season one postseason championship event; further, to exempt from maximum contest limitations at least one postseason championship event, as specified.	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	August 1, 2012	**Support (9-3-7).** Equalizes postseason opportunities; postseason is a reward and should be allowed to maximize contest opportunities and season. **Opposition Notes:** will adjust schedules that will result in overlapping seasons – facility availability issues; more time constraints on SAs because season is somewhat longer; more missed class time. Interested in FARA feedback.
Eligibility -- Hardship Waiver -- Practice After Injury	In the traditional season, to prohibit student-athletes who have, according to a physician, sustained a season-ending injury from engaging with the team in any physical practice activities.	Midwest Conference, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	August 1, 2012	**Oppose (4-11-5)**. Rehab activities during practice allow injured to stay connected to team; still on roster so should be involved in these practices (e.g., throwing out balls); may have to sit through practice and then do rehab activities – this will result in additional time constraints for SA; more time commitment for trainers who are already pressed to provide services for all SAs.

NCAA Division III Sponsored Legislation for 2012 NCAA Convention

Title	Intent	Source	Effective Date	SAAC Informal Position and Rationale
Recruiting --Permissible Electronic Transmissions	To regulate electronically transmitted correspondence between prospective student-athletes and college staff and coaches according to the same standard as telephone, email and fax correspondence.	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Immediate	**No position (7-7-3).** **Support:** Admissions are already doing this and its professional recruitment to the school; it was okay after May 1st with financial deposit – why not right from the get-go?; less issue with text messaging but not with social networking; any recruiting/communication tool available should be used; high school age students communicate heavily via text messaging; would be comfortable with texting if communication was initiated via more formal means. **Oppose:** Texting and social networking is informal –shortened sentences, abbreviations, etc.; choosing a school is a life changing decision and needs to be conducted via legitimate communication means; current recruitment is working so there's no need to change the legislation. **Update:** SAAC considered allowing for text messaging only. Vote in support of text messaging allowances (15-7). SAAC is not in favor of social networking communications.

NCAA Division III Sponsored Legislation for 2012 NCAA Convention

Title	Intent	Source	Effective Date	SAAC Informal Position and Rationale
Personnel -- Certified Strength and Conditioning Coaches -- Required Sports-Safety Training.	To sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Division III Bylaw 11.1.6 (sports-safety training) to require certified strength and conditioning coaches to maintain certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use.	NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee.		**Support** (no vote; was considered on April teleconference): Safety.

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III COMMITTEE ON STUDENT-ATHLETE REINSTATEMENT May 3-4, 2011, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **NCAA Bylaw 10.1 Unethical Conduct.** The NCAA Division III Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement reviewed existing guidelines for unethical conduct violations in light of recently adopted noncontroversial legislation incorporating additional examples of unethical conduct violations (NCAA Division III Bylaw 10.1). The committee identified several factors to consider when assessing the student-athlete's culpability and developed a new guideline for unethical conduct. Specifically, the committee indicated NCAA student-athlete reinstatement staff should begin its analysis based on a 50-percent withholding condition to permanent ineligibility for all provisions included within Bylaw 10.1 unethical conduct (other than academic fraud [Bylaw 10.1-(b)] and competing under an assumed name [Bylaw 10.1-(i)]). The committee also indicated staff should consider not reinstating a student-athlete when the following factors apply: (1) The student-athlete acted actively and deliberately to conceal, omit or provide inaccurate or false information; and (2) the student-athlete had multiple opportunities to correct or provide accurate information. In addition, the committee directed staff to review cases involving participation under an assumed name on a case-by-case basis. No changes were made to existing guidelines involving academic fraud violations.

2. **Academic Fraud.** The committee was provided an overview of legislation, interpretations and guidelines specific to academic fraud.

3. **Post-Enrollment Prize Money Guidelines.** The committee discussed the new post-enrollment prize money guidelines and directed staff to delay any possible withholding conditions for violations of the new legislation while still requiring repayment of impermissible prize money during summer 2011 due to possible confusion and the need for additional education.

4. **Update from NCAA Agent, Amateurism and Gambling Activities.** Rachel Newman Baker, director of agent, gambling and amateurism activities, reported on recent agent activities and trends. In addition, Angie Cretors, associate director of agent, gambling and amateurism activities, provided an update of the activities of the NCAA Division I Amateurism Cabinet.

5. **NCAA Amateurism Certification Update.** NCAA Divisions I, II and III Committees on Student-Athlete Reinstatement received an annual update from the NCAA amateurism certification staff regarding certification efforts within NCAA Divisions I and II.

6. **Season-of-Participation Waiver – Participation While Eligible, Coach's Documented Misunderstanding.** The committee reviewed cases in which an institution requests a season-of-participation – participation-while-eligible waiver based on a coach's misunderstanding of the legislation when a student-athlete does not remain eligible or a member of the team for the remainder of the season. While recognizing that a coach's documented misunderstanding is not specifically listed among extenuating circumstances, the committee noted staff should continue to review these requests on a case-by-case basis. Additionally, the committee clarified that there is no requirement that the coach have intent to redshirt the student-athlete nor does the student-athlete need to remain eligible or with the team for the remainder of the season for the waiver to be granted. Rather, consideration is whether (1) the student-athlete was eligible at the time of his or her participation; (2) the student-athlete's participation was limited; and (3) the coach provides documentation of misunderstanding regarding use of a season of participation. Further, staff should continue to impose a two-for-one withholding condition when relief is provided based on documented coach's misunderstanding.

7. **Defining Participation Opportunities within Extension Analysis.** During a year-by-year analysis within an extension request, the committee revisited whether a student-athlete who did not compete in a particular season had a participation opportunity when he or she could have competed in limited competition at some point during the season before or after an event occurred, identified in the extension legislation as a "circumstance beyond the control of the institution or student-athlete." The committee directed staff to continue to apply a similar analysis to that used for hardship waiver requests to determine if the student-athlete had a denied participation opportunity. Specifically, in a year in which the student-athlete does not compete, he or she is determined to have a denied participation opportunity when the injury or event occurs any time prior to the first contest of the second half of the season. Additionally, in cases where a student-athlete begins the season incapacitated and is cleared to but does not return to competition prior to the conclusion of the season, the year shall be deemed a denied participation opportunity if the student-athlete is cleared with 33 percent or less of the remaining regularly scheduled contests/dates of competition.

8. Discussion of Suspension of Withholding Conditions Policy. After discussion and review of the current policy involving requests for suspension of withholding conditions for student-athletes whose next contest is an NCAA championship or bowl contest, all three committees agreed further discussion specific to the application of this policy is necessary during the summer.

9. NCAA Divisions I, II and III Policies and Procedures. Divisions I, II and III Committees on Student-Athlete Reinstatement reviewed and approved editorial updates to the policies and procedures document presented by the staff, including adding references to AMA Online. In addition, the staff reviewed the recusal policy with the committees.

10. Flexible Student-Athlete Reinstatement Decisions. The committee reviewed and discussed cases decided under the students-first philosophy that were made available following the December 2010 meeting. As a result of the committee's discussions, Eligibility Case No. 36903 was archived; however, all other cases reviewed during the meeting were accepted by the committee and will remain available for precedent within LSDB*i*.

11. Review of NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Reinstatement Guidelines. The committee reviewed and approved the revised guidelines document. The updates included the addition of new post-enrollment prize money guidelines and other editorial changes.

12. Division III Governance Issues. Jeff Myers, associate director of NCAA academic and membership affairs, updated the committee on several items including the Division III identity initiative; the Special Olympics partnership; drug testing; the academic reporting pilot program; and presidential involvement initiatives.

13. Technology Update. Danielle Teetzel, associate director of academic and membership affairs updated the committee on AMA Online, which is now used by NCAA academic and membership affairs staff and the NCAA membership to process and submit all waiver and student-athlete reinstatement requests.

14. Regional Rules Seminars. Payton Williams, assistant director of academic and membership affairs, provided the committees with an overview of student-athlete reinstatement sessions presented at the NCAA Regional Rules Seminar May 16-20 in Tucson, Arizona and June 6-10 in Tampa, Florida.

15. Future Meetings. The committee established the following future meeting dates and locations:

a. November 30 – December 1, 2011, Indianapolis.

b. May 23 - 24, 2012, Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: *Danny Miller, Averett University,* USA South Athletic Conference
Staff Liaison(s): *Danielle Ghiloni, Academic and Membership Affairs*
Kelly Groddy, Academic and Membership Affairs

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III INTERPRETATIONS AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

ACTION ITEMS

1. Legislative Items.

a. 2012 NCAA Convention Legislation -- Personnel -- Conduct of Athletics Personnel -- Sports-Safety Training for Certified Strength and Conditioning Personnel.

(1) Recommendation. To sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Division III Bylaw 11.1.6 (sports-safety training) to require certified strength and conditioning coaches to maintain certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use.

(2) Effective Date. August 1, 2012.

(3) Rationale. The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee reviewed NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2010-85 that requires strength and conditioning coaches that conduct voluntary weight training and conditioning to hold an active certification in first aid, CPR and AED use. The committee noted recent legislation that permits only certified strength and conditioning coaches to conduct voluntary workouts and agreed that first aid, CPR and AED certification would provide additional safety measures for student-athletes. The committee observed that some organizations that offer strength and conditioning certifications already require individuals to have some first aid, CPR and/or AED certification but it is unclear whether all entities require this and whether it needs to be active at all times. In light of these considerations, the committee agreed that limiting first aid, CPR and AED certification requirements only to certified strength and conditioning personnel is the option that is most consistent with the current legislation requiring certification only for head coaches and provides additional health and safety benefits to student-athletes.

(4) Budget Impact. Minimal for certification ($0 to $30 per coach) since institutions can outsource the training or train their own staff as instructors. Moreover, this is not an annual cost since first-aid certification is valid for three years and CPR certification is valid for one to two years (depending on the certifying organization). Division III grant and initiative funding may be used to offset these costs.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. Strengthens the health, safety and well-being of student-athletes.

b. Approval of Official Interpretation – Contact at Prospective Student-Athlete's Practice or Competition Site.

(1) Recommendation. To approve the following official interpretation:

Contact at Prospective Student-Athlete's Practice or Competition Site (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed it is permissible for an institution's coach to contact a prospective student-athlete at the prospective student-athlete's away-from-home practice or competition site provided the competition has been completed, the prospect has departed the meeting and dressing facility and the prospective student-athlete's coach has released the prospective student-athlete. A prospective student-athlete may be "released" for purposes of allowing contact even if the prospective student-athlete will be traveling back home with the team. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaw 13.1.4.2 (practice or competition site)]

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee reviewed issues that arose from the 2011 NCAA Regional Rules Seminars and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. Approval of Official Interpretation – Expenses for Mandatory Medical Exam Prior to Becoming a Student-Athlete.

(1) Recommendation. To approve the following official interpretation:

Expenses for Mandatory Medical Exam Prior to Becoming a Student-Athlete (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that an institution may conduct a medical examination of a prospective student-athlete during an official or unofficial visit, or in conjunction with the prospective student-athlete's arrival to campus prior to the beginning of preseason practice and/or the academic year, provided the prospective student-athlete has been accepted

for regular full-time enrollment at the institution. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.02.6. (prospective student-athlete), 13.11.1 (prospective student-athlete defined for tryout-rule purposes), 16.4 (medical expenses), 16.5.1-(a) (preseason practice expenses) and a staff interpretation (6/9/04, Item Ref. 1)]

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee reviewed issues that arose from the Regional Rules Seminars and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

d. Approval of Official Interpretation – Uniformity of Participation Awards.

(1) Recommendation. To archive an official interpretation (12/13/91, Item Ref. e) and approve the following official interpretation:

Uniformity of Participation Awards (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that a member institution, conference or other approved agency may provide different participation awards based on the year or class (e.g., freshman, sophomore, first year participant, second year participant) of a student-athlete, provided the awards are uniform for all recipients within a given year or class. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaw 16.1.2 (uniformity of awards) and a staff interpretation (12/13/91, Item Ref. e), which has been archived)]

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee reviewed issues that arose from the Regional Rules Seminars and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

e. Approval of Official Interpretation – Demonstrators at Coaches' Clinics and Institutional Camps and Clinics.

(1) Recommendation. To approve the following official interpretation:

Demonstrators at Coaches' Clinics and Institutional Camps and Clinics (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that a prospective student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator during a coach's clinic or session conducted by an institutional staff member or during an institutional camp or clinic without such participation constituting an impermissible tryout. An enrolled student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator at an institutional camp or clinic with staff members from any institution. Further, an enrolled student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator at a coaches clinic; however, if the coaches clinic is conducted outside the playing season, the student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator only if he or she participates with coaching staff members from institutions other than his or her own. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.11.2 (prohibited physical activities involving prospective student-athletes), 13.11.3 (permissible physical activities involving prospective student-athletes), 13.12.2.1 (prospective student-athletes), 17.1.1.1 (playing season – athletically related activities), and a staff interpretation (2/14/90, Item Ref. a) which has been archived]

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee re-examined its recent official interpretation regarding demonstrators at coaches' clinics [Reference: 2/10/11, Item Ref. 14-b]. The rationale for the original interpretation was to address whether the tryout prohibition allowed prospective student-athletes and/or enrolled student-athletes to be used as demonstrators at coaches' clinics. The wording of the original interpretation unintentionally seemed to prohibit an enrolled student-athlete from serving as a demonstrator at a coach's clinic or an institutional camp or clinic that is governed by Bylaw 13.12, if in either circumstance the student-athlete were to serve as a demonstrator for his or her own coach. The committee noted that Bylaw 13.12.2 specifically allows both prospective student-athletes and enrolled student-athletes to be employed at an institutional camp or clinic, and Bylaw 13.12.2.2.1(c) implies that enrolled student-athletes can be used as demonstrators at an institutional camp or clinic. The committee further noted that Bylaw 17 specifies that outside of the playing season, student-athletes may be employed in camps and clinics but are prohibited from participating as campers in their own institution's camp or clinic. For

these reasons, prohibiting student-athletes from serving as demonstrators for their own coaches at coaches' clinics is consistent with the legislation, but prohibiting demonstration for a student-athlete's own coach at the institution's camp or clinic is contrary to the legislation.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

f. Approval of Official Interpretation – Playing Season Waivers.

(1) Recommendation. To approve the following official interpretation:

Scope of Playing-Season Waivers for Institutions With Nontraditional Academic Calendars (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that the scope of playing-season waivers for institutions with nontraditional academic calendars shall extend only to those situations in which the institution's nontraditional academic calendar interferes with its ability to adhere to playing season regulations, as opposed to a one-time or limited request which is handled through a separate waiver provision. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 5.4.1.7 (review authority of Management Council) and 17.1.13 (playing-season waiver)]

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee noted the NCAA Division III Management Council Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee has more expertise in addressing adjustments to the playing season regulations for schools with nontraditional academic calendars, thereby establishing a waiver that could apply for as long as the institution needs, provided its academic calendar did not change. This type of waiver can be distinguished from the authority of the NCAA Division III Management Council Subcommittee for Legislative Relief which is designed to address unique circumstances that warrant relief only on a limited or one-time basis. Further, the Subcommittee for Legislative Relief has oversight of all operating bylaws and, therefore, is not a substantive authority on any given bylaw.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Legislative Publications. The committee provided feedback on the potential shift to printed publication of an operating NCAA Division III Manual that would include NCAA Division III Bylaws 10 through 17 and Bylaw 20 only, with the complete NCAA Division III Manual and the NCAA Convention Division III Official Notice being published online only. The committee offered mixed opinion and suggested that options such as reducing the total number of printed materials distributed or eliminating printing of the blue pages may better reduce costs rather than reducing the content printed. The committee also wondered whether an online format would serve as a distraction to those on the internet during the Convention's business session. The committee was also informed that exploration of mobile and e-reader applications for various resources is being pursued and such tools are expected to be available in the future.

2. Approval of Staff Determinations. The committee approved the following staff determinations:

a. Recreational Activities During an Official or Unofficial Visit. The academic and membership affairs staff determined that during an official or unofficial visit, a prospective student-athlete may participate in recreational activities in a facility (on- or off-campus) that is not open to the general public (e.g., campus recreation center, golf course, swimming pool) provided such activities are not organized or observed by members of the athletics department coaching staff (including strength and conditioning coaches) and are not designed to test the athletics abilities of the prospective student-athlete. Further, in situations in which there is a fee associated with the use of the facility (e.g., guest fee at a private facility used by the institution for practice or competition, admission fee for open swim session at institutional recreation center) a prospective student-athlete shall pay the going rate associated with the use of that facility. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 12.1.1 (preferential treatment, benefits, or services), 13.2 (offers and inducements), 13.6 (official visit) and 13.7 (unofficial visit); staff interpretations (5/26/10, Item Ref. 1) and (9/4/08, Item Ref. a), which has been archived]; and

b. Employment of Prospective Student-Athletes Who Are Children of Institutional Staff Members. The academic and membership affairs staff determined that an institution's athletics department may employ a prospective student-athlete who is

the child of an institutional staff member, provided the employment is arranged through normal institutional employment policies and procedures. Any compensation received by the prospective student-athlete must be for work actually performed and commensurate with the going rate for such services in that locale. [References: Bylaws 13.2.4 (employment of prospective student-athletes), 13.2.4.1 (normal employment procedures) and staff interpretation (3/9/05, Item Ref. 1b), which has been archived]

3. **Athletics Events.** The committee reviewed the issue of whether an athletics banquet or dinner constitutes an athletics "event" for purposes for advertising or promoting nonathletics institutional information. With the adoption of Proposal No. 2011-3, it is now permissible for an institution to produce nonathletics institutional material to be used in advertisements and promotions at athletics events. The committee noted a staff interpretation [Reference: 2/10/89, Item Ref. c] that precludes an institution from buying or arranging advertisements in a program for a dinner held to honor prospective student-athletes' academic and athletics achievements. The committee agreed with the application of this interpretation and confirmed that an athletics banquet or dinner does not constitute an athletics event for purposes of this legislation.

4. **2011-12 NCAA Compliance Forms**. The committee approved the 2011-12 NCAA compliance forms and noted there are no substantive modifications to this year's forms. The committee also received an update from NCAA staff regarding the transition to online submission of the forms for the upcoming academic year.

Committee Chair: Lori Runksmeier, New England College
Staff Liaisons: Amy Huchthausen, Academic and Membership Affairs
Jeff Myers, Academic and Membership Affairs

REPORT OF THE NCAA COMMITTEE ON COMPETITIVE SAFEGUARDS AND MEDICAL ASPECTS OF SPORTS (CSMAS)

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

- **Legislative Items.**

Divisions II and III only.

a. Student-Athlete Sickle Cell Trait (SCT) Status.

(1) Recommendation. Sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to require a sickle cell solubility test as part of NCAA Bylaw 17.1.5 (mandatory medical examination); and for Division II only, 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.

(2) Rationale. The committee believes that requirements for 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 and Division III 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 dependant on the division. In addition, student-athletes' positive SCT tests are not dependant 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 that 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 and Division III 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.

(3) Effective date. August 2012 for all student-athletes, including both new and continuing student-athletes as well as those trying out for a Division II team in the 2012-13 academic year.

(4) 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.

(5) Student-athlete impact. Knowing SCT status supports student-athlete health and safety.

Division III only.

b. Football Preseason Conditioning.

(1) Recommendation. To amend the football preseason period to allow a one-hour conditioning test (e.g., speed, conditioning, agility) period and a two-hour practice period to occur only on the first day of the five-day period or on any single day of the five-day period as an option to the current three-hour practice period.

(2) Rationale. The committee discussed allowing a conditioning test (e.g., speed, conditioning, agility) period the day before the first preseason practice day in Division III; however, further discussion narrowed the option for Division III to only allowing this option to occur on the first day of the five day acclimatization period or on any single day of the five day period. A three-hour recovery period would still need to be applied between the test period and the practice session that day. Division I currently allows a one-hour conditioning session and two-hour practice session during the five-day acclimatization period as an option to the single three-hour practice period. The intent of the conditioning test is to serve as a brief assessment of an athlete's physical preparedness for beginning the rigors of the practice period and not as a conditioning session. Student-athletes performing under expectations should not be

punished or required to perform additional physical activity beyond what is required for the rest of the team as the accumulated effects of this additional workload can increase an athlete's risk of injury. The committee discussed the importance of having consistency across divisions for issues impacting student-athlete well-being. During any part of a new practice period, institutions should consider factors of increased risk such as student-athletes within underlying medical conditions (e.g., sickle cell trait, previous heat illness, flu, medications, etc).

(3) Effective date. August 2012

(4) Budget implications. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. The committee discussed the importance of having consistency across divisions for issues impacting student-athlete well-being.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

Association-wide.

1. Efficient and effective NCAA drug testing. In carrying out the charge of the NCAA Executive Committee to explore more efficient and effective NCAA drug testing, and with the approval of the committee to conduct no-notice drug testing as a drug-testing best practice, the CSMAS approved continuing no-notice testing as part of the NCAA year-round drug testing program. No-notice testing provides more flexibility in selecting student-athletes on site and much less logistical preparation on the part of the institution. The committee noted that no-notice testing raises visibility of testing on campus, which increases the deterrence effect of drug testing by increasing student-athletes' perception that they could be drug tested. Every Division I and Division II institution with football will continue to be tested annually, with student-athlete selection involving more weighted/targeted testing. In addition, the committee supports allowing flexibility in the number of student-athletes tested at any year-round testing event. This will facilitate increasing the number of testing events and potentially the number of visits per campus annually, another best practice.

2. Drug-testing penalties -- positive tests for marijuana. The NCAA tests for street drugs in the championship drug-testing program. As a follow-up to the December CSMAS review of penalties for marijuana positives, the committee requested Drug Free Sport (DFS) research outcomes for student-athletes who tested positive for marijuana. Though the research was not definitive, it indicated that overall most student-athletes who tested positive continued or completed their college education in the semester beyond the one in which they tested positive, and that there was no statistical difference by division. The NCAA survey of institutional drug education and testing indicates a majority of the membership supports the one-year penalty for a marijuana positive drug test conducted by the NCAA. The committee believes the one-year penalty provides a strong deterrent to marijuana use, and that, because testing for marijuana occurs only in NCAA championship testing (and exit and for-cause testing) which comprises less than 25 percent of NCAA drug tests, the penalty needs to be maintained as a strong deterrent.

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NCAA Research

NCAA 2011
Sickle Cell Trait
Key Survey Findings

CSMAS Committee

June 13, 2011

Indianapolis, Indiana

NCAA Research

Background

- Survey designed to assess current NCAA member institution practices surrounding sickle cell trait (SCT) screening, counseling and precautions, and to identify potential barriers and solutions appropriate for each NCAA division.
- Athletic trainers and other key athletics administrators at each active and provisional NCAA member institution were solicited via email to participate in the web-based survey.

Sample

	n	%
Division I (335)	229	68.4
Division II (302)	148	49.0
Division III (447)	274	61.3
Overall (1,084)	651	60.1

- Athletic trainers were responsible for 95 percent of responses. Responses from team physicians accounted for the other five percent.

Sickle Cell Trait Confirmations

NCAA Research

Institutions Confirming SCT Status as Part of Their Medical Examination Process

	n	%
Division I (229)	215	93.9
Division II (148)	69	46.6
Division III (274)	114	41.6
Overall (651)	398	61.1

SCT Status Confirmations

- While more than nine out of ten Division I institutions confirm SCT status as part of their medical examination process, less than half of Division II and III schools confirm SCT status as part of their medical examination process.
- More than half of responding institutions that do not confirm sickle cell trait status indicate cost as a reason.
- More than one-third of these same institutions indicate that they employ universal safe training practices and standard emergency response for all athletes and therefore, confirmation is not necessary.
- There were no discernable differences in reasons for not confirming the status across divisions.

NCAA Research

Institutions Requiring Confirmation of SCT Status for All Student-Athletes

	n	%
Division I (215)	191	88.8
Division II (69)	48	69.6
Division III (114)	67	58.8
Overall (398)	306	76.9

*Among institutions requiring confirmation for any student-athletes

NCAA Research

Policies and Procedures

NCAA Research

Institution Accepts Confirmation from a Newborn Test Result as Required in all 50 States

	%
Yes	72.5
No	12.1
Does not apply	15.4

*Among institutions requiring confirmation for <u>any</u> student-athletes

- There were no discernable differences in this policy across Divisions I and II. Approximately <u>30 percent</u> of Division III schools reported this does not apply.

NCAA Research

Athletics Department Pays for the SCT Screening Test (Percent)

	Division		
	I	II	III
Yes, for all the student-athletes.	59.2	23.5	2.7
Yes, only if the athlete requests it.	16.9	7.4	2.7
No, the student-athlete is responsible for the cost.	21.6	55.9	59.1
Does not apply	2.3	13.2	35.5

*Among institutions requiring confirmation for any student-athletes

- For the 215 Division I schools in the sample that confirm sickle cell trait status, 59.2 percent report the athletics department pays for the sickle cell trait screening test. This rate is at 23.5 percent for the 69 Division II schools and 2.7 percent for the 114 Division III schools.

NCAA Research

Institution Allows a Student-Athlete to Sign a Written Release Opting out of Providing Documentation of Blood Test Confirming SCT Status (Percent)

	Division		
	I	II	III
Yes	58.3	46.3	34.3
No	39.3	38.8	12.1
Does not apply	2.4	14.9	42.6

*Among institutions requiring confirmation for any student-athletes

NCAA Research

Written Releases

- Approximately 26 percent of schools that allow a written release reported 90 percent or more sign a release.
- Approximately 30 percent of institutions reported fewer than 10 percent sign a release.
- Approximately 69 percent indicated student-athlete rights as the main reason for allowing the written release.
- Nearly 80 percent of the schools that allow a written release, require those student-athletes to be educated on the risks and precautions of the condition.

NCAA Research

Institution Offers Genetic Counseling to Student-Athletes with SCT (Percent)

	Division		
	I	II	III
Yes	61.6	43.3	16.6
No	25.6	37.3	38.0
I don't know	12.8	19.4	45.4

*Among institutions requiring confirmation for any student-athletes

- For the 215 Division I schools in the sample that confirm sickle cell trait status, 61.6 percent report the institution offers genetic counseling to student-athletes with the sickle cell trait. This rate is at 43.3 percent for the 69 Division II schools and 16.6 percent for the 114 Division III schools.

NCAA Research

Projections of Prevalence

NCAA Research

Institutions Reporting at Least One Student-Athlete with SCT (Percent)

	Division		
	I	II	III
Yes	84.8	43.6	30.3
No	12.9	32.1	41.0
I don't know	2.3	24.3	28.7

- For the 229 Division I schools in the sample, 2.3 percent did not know if at least one student-athlete at their institution has sickle cell trait. This rate is at 24.3 percent for the 148 Division II schools and 28.7 percent for the 274 Division III schools

Ethnicity Categories of Positive SCT Student-Athletes

	%
Black or African American	95.4
White	7.3
Hispanic or Latino	4.9
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	2.1
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1.5
Asian	0.0

- There were no significant differences between divisions.

NCAA Research

Positive SCT Status

- 79.6 percent of institutions believe that three percent or less of student-athletes have sickle cell trait.
- Approximately 23 percent of Division I institutions reported they have had a student-athlete with complications related to sickle cell trait compared to 8.6 percent of Division II schools and 3.6 percent of Division III schools.
- Of the nine institutions in the sample that indicated they were aware of a situation where a student-athlete with sickle cell trait had been denied an opportunity, most reported one such incident.

NCAA Research

Safety Practices

- While 73.7 percent of Division I institutions in the sample report modifying pre-season workouts, this rate is 48.2 percent for Division II schools in the sample and 39.2 percent for Division III schools.
- While 49.5 percent of Division I institutions in the sample report removing a student-athlete with sickle cell trait, the rate is 20.9 percent for Division II schools and 13.6 percent for Division III schools.

NCAA Research

Staff Education

- While 84.7 percent of Division I schools in the sample report having an in-service for their sports medicine staff, the rate is 52.3 for Division II schools and 45.5 percent for Division III schools.
- While 61.6 percent of Division I schools in the sample report having an in-service for their coaches and strength and conditioning staff, the rate is 38.8 percent for Division II schools and 23.5 percent for Division III schools.

NCAA Research

Questions and Comments

NCAA Research

REPORT OF THE NCAA MINORITY OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS COMMITTEE MAY 4, 2011, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

Association-wide.

1. **Outgoing committee members.** The following departing committee members were acknowledged and thanked for their service.

    - Kirin Khan, Division III national SAAC representative, Mills College.
    - Donna Ledwin, commissioner, Alleghany Mountain Collegiate Conference, Division III.
    - Karin Lee, associate athletics director/senior woman administrator, Ball State University, Division I.
    - Wayne Tanna, Professor of accounting, Chaminade University, Division II.

2. **Confederate battle flag.** The committee was provided with an update regarding actions that took place during the April meeting of the Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues. The committee supported the subcommittee's recommendation to approve the request for an institution in the state of South Carolina to host an NCAA championship event outside of the state. The committee also noted a need for further discussion on the parameters of the policy specifically as it relates to predetermined and nonpredetermined sites and to educate the membership on the intent of the policy.

3. **Committee restructuring**. The committee received an update regarding the committee restructuring efforts. The committee was supportive of maintaining the autonomy of both the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) as well as the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interest Committee (MOIC) and expanding the current bodies from 15 members to 18 members to account for the addition of one president from each division. The committee was made aware that the new model would include a joint inclusion body comprised of representatives from CWA and the MOIC, including presidential representation that will provide oversight on broad inclusion initiatives. Joint subcommittees of MOIC and CWA focusing on key dimensions of diversity beyond gender and race would also be determined.

4. Division I, II, and III governance meetings updates. The committee received updates from the Division I, Division II and Division III spring governance meetings.

5. Division I, II and III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee updates. The committee received summaries from the recent Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) meetings. Key areas of discussion included commercialism (name, likeness, media activities), men's basketball recruiting, coordination of a national SAAC community service project, use of social networking by athletics departments and assuring that students with disabilities and transgender individuals have an avenue to voice their needs.

6. CWA report. The committee received an update that squash has been removed from the emerging sports list. The committee also considered developments in sand volleyball, triathlon, tumbling/stunt and rugby. Recent senior woman administrator survey results indicate that schools are improving their methods of reporting the SWA designation with an accompanying administrative title.

7. Campus Violence Impact and Prevention Summit. The committee reviewed highlights of the summit and were referred to the website where supplemental information, videos and resources are provided.

8. Minority programming and resources. The committee was provided with an update on the 2010 Racial and Gender Report Card and other resources that noted some of the recent successes as it relates to hiring within intercollegiate athletics for coaches and administrators. The committee also received an update regarding the Achieving Coaching Excellence Men's and Women's Basketball program where over 50 applications were reviewed for the upcoming June 5-8 program to be held in Indianapolis, Indiana.

9. Other business.

a. Promoting Olympic sports. The committee received a report from the Olympic Sports Liaison Committee and participated in a discussion regarding the sustainment of Olympic sports. It will continue to stay engaged on this topic, given the significant amount of minorities that participate in these sports and the potential for loss of athletics opportunities.

b. Inclusion Summit. President Emmert and the NCAA office of inclusion will host an inclusion summit in Indianapolis September 19. The summit will include presidents and other thought leaders.

10. Future meeting dates and sites.

- October 11-12, 2011, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In conjunction with the CWA meeting.

Committee Chair: *Dawn Reynolds, University of Miami*
Staff Liaisons *Kimberly Ford, Minority Inclusion*
Nicole Bracken, Research
Jay Rossello, General Counsel

REPORT OF THE NCAA OLYMPIC SPORTS LIAISON COMMITTEE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

- **Legislative Items.**

a. NCAA Division I Bylaw 16.8.1.3-(c) Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition – Other Competition.

(1) Recommendation. Sponsor noncontroversial legislation to modify NCAA Bylaw 16.8.1.3-(c) to allow institutions to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to attend two national team tryouts. Current legislation restricts institutions to providing a student-athlete the actual and necessary expenses to attend only one such national team tryout.

(2) Rationale. Current national team selection processes for many Olympic sports include more than one tier. Often, student-athletes who are athletically successful in the first tier are required to shoulder the financial burden in order to continue through additional levels within the existing tier structures or withdraw from the tryout process prior to being identified as viable national team candidates. While there is no standardized tier system among the various national governing bodies, an expansion of Bylaw 16.8.1.3-© to allow for two team tryout competitions would allow student-athletes greater potential access to the current selection processes.

(3) Estimated Budget Impact. Institutions with eligible student-athlete(s) may bear the expense of additional national team tryouts.

(4) Student-Athlete Impact. By covering the expense of a second national team tryout opportunity, institutions will better assist student-athletes to become viable national team candidates for international competition.

b. World University Championships in Select NCAA Bylaws.

(1) Recommendation. Sponsor noncontroversial legislation to modify several NCAA bylaws that reference the World University Games to also reference the World University Championships. Refer to the attachment for the relevant NCAA bylaws.

(2) Rationale. The U.S. Intercollegiate University Sport Federation (USIUSF), an official member of the International University Sports Federation (FISU), is the rights holder to the U.S. World University Games and Championships. The USIUSF also works in collaboration with the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) and various National Governing Bodies (NGBs) to select U.S. national team members for the two events.

Below is a comparison of the two events. Although the two events are similar, they involve different sports. Specifically, the NCAA-recognized sports of baseball, softball, cross country and women's equestrian are part of the World University Championships but not the World University Games. As a result, student-athletes who participate in these sports are not afforded the same opportunities/benefits as those who participate in the NCAA-sponsored sports that are part of the World University Games.

	World University *Games*		World University *Championships*
Sports	Summer Track and Field Basketball Fencing Soccer Gymnastics Swimming Diving Water Polo Taekwondo Tennis Volleyball	Winter Alpine Skiing Nordic Skiing Skating Snow Boarding Biathlon Short Track Skating Curling Ice Hockey	Cross Country Team Handball Table Tennis Equestrian Badminton Judo Softball Baseball Archery
Location	One location		Numerous locations
Occurrence	Odd-numbered years		Even-numbered years
Participants	Open to all students-athletes who have not been out of college for more than a year and who are between the ages of 17 and 28		Same
Eligible Countries	Any country that is eligible for the Olympic Games		Same

(3) Estimated Budget Impact. Budget impact varies, depending on the relevant bylaws and eligibility of student-athletes to participate in the World University Championships.

(4) Student-Athlete Impact. By expanding the noted bylaws to include the World University Championships, student-athletes participating in baseball, softball, cross country and women’s equestrian at the World University Championships will receive the same opportunities/benefits afforded student-athletes who participate in the World University Games.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

- **Appointment of Committee Chair.** The committee appointed Peg Bradley-Doppes, director of athletics, University of Denver, as chair, replacing Lynn King, University of the Pacific, effective September 1, 2011. Ms. Bradley-Doppes is in her third year of service on the committee. Her experience with Olympic sports oversight and related issues is wide-ranging, including past experience as a head volleyball coach, current appointment to the NCAA Division I Leadership Council and active participation in recent collaborative efforts with the USOC and various national governing bodies.

Committee Chair: *Lynn King, University of the Pacific*
Staff Liaisons: *Dan Calandro, Academic and Membership Affairs*
Alex Smith, Academic and Membership Affairs
Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Bylaws Affected to Include the World University Championships

12.1.2.4.13 Commemorative Items for Student-Athletes Participating in Olympic Games, World University Games, Pan American Games, World Championships and World Cup Events

It is permissible for student-athletes to receive commemorative items incidental to participation in the Olympic Games, World University Games, Pan American Games, World Championships and World Cup events through the applicable national governing body. These benefits may include any and all apparel, leisure wear, footwear and other items that are provided to all athletes participating in the applicable event. *(Adopted: 11/1/00 effective 8/1/01)*

12.5.1.9 Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games

A student-athlete's name or picture may be used to promote Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games as specified in this section. *(Adopted: 1/10/92, Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96)*

13.1.7.18 Coaches' Attendance at Elite International Events

Coaching staff members may attend Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games competition that occurs outside the permissible contact and evaluation periods. However, attendance at qualifying competition for such events, including tryouts, remains subject to the applicable recruiting calendars. *(Adopted: 1/9/06 effective 8/1/06)*

14.1.8.3.3 Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games or World Youth Championships -- Competition

The Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee (see Bylaw 21.7.5.1.3.2) may waive the minimum full-time enrollment requirement for any participant in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games or World Youth Championships (including junior levels of such events) who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice and competition in any sports. *(Revised: 1/10/91, 1/9/96, 9/12/03, 12/13/05, 11/1/07 effective 8/1/08, 1/16/10 effective 5/1/10)*

14.2.3.2.1.1 Exception -- National/International Competition. Effective Date: August 1, 2011

For a maximum of one year after a prospective student-athlete's first opportunity to enroll full time in a collegiate institution following the one-year time period after his or her high school graduation date or the graduation date of his or her class, whichever occurs earlier, participation in the following organized national/international competition is exempt from application of Bylaw 14.2.3.2.1: *(Adopted: 1/15/11 effective 8/1/11 applicable to student-athletes who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/11)*

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

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

(c) Official competition involving a national team sponsored by the appropriate national governing body of the U.S. Olympic Committee (or, for student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation).

14.2.3.2.1.1 Exception -- Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games Participation. Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Participation in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games is exempt from application of Bylaw 14.2.3.2.1. *(Adopted: 4/26/07 effective 8/1/07; Revised: 1/15/11 effective 8/1/11 applicable to student-athletes who initially enroll full time in a collegiate institution on or after 8/1/11)*

14.2.3.2.2 Exception -- Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games Participation

Participation in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and **World University Games** is exempt from application of Bylaws 14.2.3.2 and 14.2.3.2.1. *(Adopted: 4/26/07 effective 8/1/07)*

14.4.3.6 Waivers of Progress-Toward-Degree Rule

The Division I Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee shall establish appropriate criteria for waivers of this legislation. The following waivers shall be administered by the conference members of the Association or, in the case of an independent institution, by the Division I Progress-Toward-Degree Waivers Committee. *(Revised: 10/28/97, 4/27/00, 10/31/02 effective 8/1/03 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution full time on or after 8/1/03)*

(a) **Medical Absence.** The credit hours required under the progress-toward-degree regulation of Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(b), 14.4.3.1-(c) and 14.4.3.5-(c) may be prorated at nine hours per term of actual attendance during an academic year in which a student misses a term or is unable to complete a term as a full-time student as a result of an injury or illness. Such an exception may be granted only when circumstances clearly supported by appropriate medical documentation establish that a student-athlete is unable to attend a collegiate institution as a full-time student as a result of an incapacitating physical injury or illness involving the student-athlete or a member of the student-athlete's immediate family. Credits earned by the student during the term to which the waiver applies may be used to satisfy the 24-/36-hour [see Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a)], percentage-of-degree (see Bylaw 14.4.3.2) and grade-point average requirements (see Bylaw 14.4.3.3). *(Revised: 10/31/02 effective 8/1/03 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution full time on or after 8/1/03, 3/10/04, 4/28/05)*

(b) **International Competition.** The credit hours required under the progress-toward-degree regulation of Bylaws 14.4.3.1 and 14.4.3.5-(c) may be prorated at nine hours per term of actual attendance during an academic year in which a student is not enrolled for a term or terms or is unable to complete a term as a full-time student as a result of participation in the FIFA World Youth Championship, Pan American Games, Olympic Games, World Championships, World Cup or **World University Games** (including final Olympic tryouts and the officially recognized training program that directly qualifies participants for those tryouts). This waiver provision may be applied to no more than two semesters or three quarters. Credits earned by the student during the term or terms to which the waiver applies may be used to satisfy the 24-/36-hour [see Bylaw 14.4.3.1-(a)], percentage-of-degree (see Bylaw 14.4.3.2) and grade-point average requirements (see Bylaw 14.4.3.3). *(Revised: 1/9/96, 10/31/02 effective 8/1/03 for those student-athletes first entering a collegiate institution full time on or after 8/1/03, 3/10/04, 1/17/09 effective 8/1/09)*

14.7.3 Exceptions -- All Sports

The following exceptions to the outside-competition regulations are permitted: *(Revised: 7/30/10)*

High School Alumni Game. A student-athlete may compete in one game a year involving participants from the student-athlete's former high school and its alumni team. In sports other than basketball, this game must take place during an official vacation period of the institution's academic year.

(a) **Olympic Games.** A student-athlete may participate in the official Olympic Games, in final tryouts that directly qualify competitors for the Olympic Games, and in officially recognized competition directly qualifying participants for final Olympic Games tryouts. *(Revised: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

(b) **Official Pan American Games Tryouts and Competition.** A student-athlete may participate in official Pan American Game's tryouts and competition. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

(c) **U.S. National Teams.** A student-athlete may participate in official tryouts and competition involving national teams and junior national teams sponsored by the appropriate national governing bodies of the U.S. Olympic Committee (or, for the student-athletes representing another nation, the equivalent organization of that nation or, for student-athletes competing in a non-Olympic sport, the equivalent organization of that sport). *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

(d) **Official World Championships, World University Games and World Cup Tryouts and Competition.** A student-athlete may participate in official World Championships, **World University Games** and World Cup tryouts and competition. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97, Revised: 8/9/01*

(e) **Multisport Events.** A student-athlete may participate in officially recognized state and national multisport events. *(Adopted: 1/14/97 effective 8/1/97)*

16.8.1.3 Other Competition

During an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the following summer), an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses related to participation in the following activities: *(Revised: 1/10/92, 1/14/97)*

(a) Established national championship events (including junior national championships);

(b) Specific competition (e.g., Olympic Trials) from which participants may directly qualify for the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup and World University Games; and *(Revised: 1/9/96 effective 8/1/96, 1/8/07 effective 8/1/07)*

(c) One national team tryout competition event from which participants are selected for the national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, World Championships, World Cup or World University Games. Although national team participants may be selected from multiple tryout events for a particular listed competitive event, an institution may provide expenses for only one such tryout event for each of the listed competitive events. *(Adopted: 1/8/07 effective 8/1/07)*

REPORT OF THE NCAA POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE APRIL 20-21, 2011 AND JUNE 16-17, 2011, MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

- **None.**

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

Association-wide.

1. Winter sports awardees.

a. Men awardees: Martin Banerud, Northern Michigan University; Brian Bazzell, Kalamazoo College; Adam Booher, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa; Dorian Cohen, Duke University; Scott Cooper, University of Oklahoma; Stevan Djurickovic, Carthage College; Orolando Duffus, St. Augustine's College; Mark Dylla, University of Georgia; Craig Fleming, Kalamazoo College; Brett Fraser, University of Florida; Adam Hall, Boise State University; Jordan Hawley, University of Missouri, Columbia; Alex Henderson, Truman State University; Kevin Janata, Nebraska Wesleyan University; Andrew Lamson, West Virginia University; Ian Makowske, University of Michigan; John Maloy, Boston College; Chad Meis, Seattle Pacific University; Luke Miller, Ohio Northern University; Michael Mpitsos, Kenyon College; William Pearce, University of North Florida; Eric Robinson, U.S. Air Force Academy; Geoffrey Sanders, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Christopher Sandy, St. John's University (Minnesota); Jay Sherer, Augustana College (South Dakota); Stephen Sheridan, Saint Louis University; Brian Sobel, Springfield College; Casey Strange, Texas A&M University, College Station; and Adam Weber, Wartburg College.

b. Women awardees: Mary Atkinson, Arizona State University; Laura Barito, Stevens Institute of Technology; Kathleen Barry, Columbia University-Barnard College; Jenna Bartsokas, Lipscomb University; Whitney Carlson, North Dakota State University; Audra Egenolf, Southern Methodist University; Hayley Emerick, Trinity University (Texas); Kyla Evans, Eastern Washington University; Jessica Ferguson, University of California, San Diego; Anna Grinter, Truman State University; Kayla Hoffman, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa; Elizabeth Horvat, Emory University; Kaylee Jamison, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities; Margaret Kelly, University of Michigan; Lindsey Kentner, University of Charleston (West Virginia); Leslie Lupien, Assumption College; Heidi

Mahnken, Indiana University, Bloomington; Ryann, McGough, University of Nebraska, Lincoln; Katherine Mills, Harvard University; Amy Minowitz, Emory University; Nicole Moody, Wingate University; Chelsea Nauta, University of Georgia; Michelle Pelka, Carthage College; Kelly Phillips, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University; Elizabeth Repella, West Virginia University; Elizabeth Smith, Stanford University; Tanya, Sylvester, Truman State University; Sascha Van den Branden, Southern Methodist University; and Natalie Willer, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

2. Spring sports awardees.

a. Men awardees: Eric Bailey, University of Oklahoma; Nicholas Birger, U.S. Naval Academy; Christopher Brown, Neumann University; Zachary Brush, Trinity University (Texas); Carl Caceres, University of Scranton; Sebastian Carlsson, Louisiana State University; Hunter Chandler, Rhodes College; Alexander Clayton, Stanford University; John Donkersloot, Hope College; Esteban Ferrero-Botero, Montana State University-Bozeman; Trevor Heiner, Brigham Young University; Gregory Hirshman, Stanford University; Klaus Hutschalik, Gardner-Webb University; Ben Jasinski, South Dakota State University; Bryan Joiner, Abilene Christian University; Justin Karr, Western Oregon University; Steven Kehoe, Jr., The Ohio State University; Alex Lapides, California Institute of Technology; Lee Moore, University of Mississippi; Cy Mozingo, West Virginia Wesleyan College; Anders Nelson, Ball State University; Vincent Nguyen, University of California, San Diego; Jaak Poldma, University of Southern California; John-Patrick Smith, University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Christopher Stallone, University of Scranton; Brett Vessell, Missouri University of Science and Technology; Kevin Wempe, Emporia State University; Alex Wolff, University of Oregon; and Wesley Yu, California Institute of Technology.

b. Women awardees. Alyssa Abbott, University of Utah; Julie Brechtel, University of Nebraska, Lincoln; Ashton Brown, Princeton University; Stephanie Charnigo, University of Findlay; Katherine Donnelly, Washington and Lee University; Sarah Flynn, Stanford University; Kelly Fogarty, University of California, San Diego; Stephanie Garcia, University of Virginia; Rachel Gehret, University of Louisville; Brandi Gervais, Towson University; Kathleen Hein, La Grange College; Sandy Henin, Rhodes College; Chrissy Hu, University of Chicago; Alaizah Koorji, University of California, Los Angeles; Kelly Lovett, Carleton College; Bridget Lyons, University of Georgia; Marcia McCord, Ithaca College; Kelcy McKenna, Arizona State University; Claire Michel, University of Oregon; Natalie Mitchell, University of Alabama at Birmingham; Katherine Niehaus, Stanford University;

Alison Rauh, Davidson College; Andrea Remynse, University of California, Los Angeles; Michelle SanCartier, University of Minnesota Duluth; Bobby Sanders, California Lutheran University; Jaclyn Spelts, Nebraska Wesleyan University; Jolee LanLeuven, Princeton University; Angela Wagner, Brigham Young University; and Amy Zhang, Rutgers, State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick.

Committee Chair: Jeffrey Hugdahl, Mercer University, Atlantic Sun Conference.
Staff Liaison: Robert Chichester, Student-Athlete Affairs.

REPORT OF THE NCAA WALTER BYERS SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE APRIL 17-18, 2011, MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

- **None.**

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

Association-wide.

1. **Selection of Walter Byers Recipients.** The committee selected Jessica Pixler, a track and cross country runner from Seattle Pacific University, and David Gatz, a swimmer from Ohio Wesleyan University.

2. **Selection of Jim McKay Recipients.** The committee selected Julia Wilkinson, a swimmer from Texas A&M University, and Chris Sabo, a football player from Hiram College.

Committee Chair: Joseph Smith, Western Carolina University, Southern Conference.
Staff Liaison: Robert Chichester, Student-Athlete Affairs.

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MEMORANDUM

June 23, 2011

TO: NCAA Division I Board of Directors
NCAA Division II Presidents Council
NCAA Division III Presidents Council.

FROM: Bernard W. Franklin
Executive Vice President of Membership and Student-Athlete Affairs/
Executive Committee Liaison/Chief Inclusion Officer.

SUBJECT: Committee Restructuring.

During its April 29, 2011, meeting the NCAA Executive Committee took action to restructure the inclusion advocacy committees within the governance structure. This action included the dissolution of the NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues; the creation of a joint body of representatives of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC) to provide broad oversight on inclusion matters and manage specific agendas beyond those related to race and gender; and the creation of joint CWA/MOIC subcommittees to focus on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues, physical disability, and other inclusion priorities that may arise. Additionally, the Committee noted the need for greater involvement of presidents within the substructure to provide guidance and insight at the policy development level.

To achieve this goal, the Committee is directing the divisional presidential bodies to consider legislation to modify the composition of the CWA and MOIC by increasing the committee size from 15 to 18 respectively and specify that the three additional positions be filled by a president from each division. Further, the Committee recommends equal distribution of members among each division.

The impetus for these changes was the adoption, in 2010, of an expanded framework around diversity, inclusion and gender equity that 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, and the internal reorganization of the NCAA's inclusion office to support this mission. 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 at the policy development level. Current composition requirements prescribe six members from Division I and three members each from Divisions II and III, with three unallocated members. The Committee supports equal representation from all divisions on these very important issues. The addition of three members per committee will permit an equal distribution of six members from each division.

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DIVISION III IDENTITY INITIATIVE

Existing Identity Activation Resources:

1. Platform Video
   - Five minute and 30 second versions.
2. Championships
   - Signage.
   - Banquet content.
3. Purchasing Website
   - 2010-11 credit closes August 31.
   - 2011-12 credit opens September 1.
4. Communication and Outreach
   - Toolkits.
   - Media tours.
   - Ncaa.org and social media.

Identity Activation in Progress:

1. Division III Week.
2. Customizable video.
3. Customizable apparel.
4. Special Olympics partnership.
5. Outreach to prospects.
6. Sports information connection.

Questions:

1. How well has the platform message been communication to the following key audiences:
   - Prospect student-athletes/parents?
   - Campus faculty?
   - Coaches?
   - The public?
2. What other resources can the NCAA national office provide to assist institutions and conferences?
3. When should the division conduct Division III week in 2011-12?
   - Late January.
   - Late February.
   - Early April, to coincide with National Student-Athlete day (Assume the event could move to other sport seasons/times of year in future years).
4. What should be the content focus of the customizable video (e.g., alumni profiles, a day in the life of a student-athlete on campus, academic, athletics and citizenship accomplishments of student-athletes)?

Division III Week Implementation Plan and Timeline

Background:

Division III Week is a component of the Division III strategic positioning activation and communication plan dated February 15, 2010. On the heels of launching the identity initiative, the goals of the activation and communication plan were:

1. To advance the Division III positioning so that the membership and stakeholders can:

    a. More precisely define Division III;
    b. Speak with one consistent/unified voice and recognize the power and persuasion that will come as a result; and
    c. Guide, direct and shape future decisions and actions.

2. To educate and engage the Division III membership about the identity initiative and how to apply it at the conference levels.

3. To support the Division III membership through national office financial and staff resources so they can apply such resources towards the respective needs and target audiences.

4. To reinforce and connect the Division III purpose and values with those of the Association and collegiate model.

The goals remain the same and apply to the concept of Division III week.

Concept Overview:

Division III is the largest in the NCAA which is not a statement of competitiveness across the Association but rather recognition of the potential impact that comes with the sheer number of student-athletes competing at the Division III level.

The goals of Division III Week are to raise awareness of the division, to unite the membership behind the national message applied and enhanced at the local level, and to contribute to the many stakeholders within and surrounding individual campuses and conferences.

During a seven-day period to be determined, every member institution and conference would conduct at least one outreach activity that falls into at least one of three categories:

- Academic accomplishment (example: have each of the fall teams nominate a faculty member to serve as a guest coach for a practice or competition).
- Athletic experience (example: have each of the fall teams participate in a youth sports clinic or competition).
- Community or campus outreach (example: have the fall teams participate in a local chapter of Special Olympics activity).

The institution or conference may already have a number of activities that could fall into any of these categories and could use any one to "count" towards Division III week. This initiative should not be viewed as an additional burden or responsibility but rather one that institutions can connect with from the local to the national level.

The Impact:

The principle behind Division III week is to be able to communicate on a national level that across the United States, "x" number of student-athletes contributed to "x" different projects or helped "x" number of people, or introduced "x" number of people to the Division III experience or impacted "initiative X" in a lasting way. From the local level, it gives the institution or conference the ability to say that during this week, Institution X's "x" number of student-athletes contributed in a particular way. Or for the first time, Institution X was able to accomplish "Y."

And while the sheer number of participants and the exponential impact would be impressive in and of itself, it is really the story behind it that will have the most value to Division III. These student-athletes will connect to something bigger than just their academic, athletic and campus experience individually. They will demonstrate that while this concentrated effort takes place during Division III week, it is a philosophy that the vast majority of student-athletes live on a regular basis.

Finally within the overall initiative, are ample places to advance the Division III Positioning Statement, the Attributes and the Reasons to Believe. There is activity to promote but more importantly is the message that both drives the activity but also surrounds it.

The Opportunities:

The national office will provide information and examples to help membership representative to engage and to activate. It will also be a prime opportunity for sports information directors and communications officers to use the language and resources provided in both the tool kit and Purchasing Web site. It will be an opportunity to engage key spokespeople that may have never been spokespeople for the Division III experience in the past (e.g., faculty representatives, presidents, academic officers, community leaders, etc.).

Next steps/timeframe:

- June 2011 – Communicate/engage CoSIDA to lead this effort as they are the representatives who would be well-versed in the various athletics department activities that take place throughout the calendar year. Provide a set of instructions/suggested next steps (draft attached) and draft communication templates that could be adapted based on the audience (presidents, media, campus, fans, prospects, etc.).

- July-August – Use Division III and national office communication platforms to engage the membership about Division III week. Determine mechanism and deadline by which the Division III membership will communicate back to the national office describing the local activation.

- July 21-23 – Engage Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) members to help lead this effort in the SAAC members' respective conferences and campuses.

- July – Develop a suggested "visual package" through the Purchasing Web site that could be used for Division III week and then used for the institution/conference needs thereafter.

- September – Develop creative materials with Sport Graphics to use at Convention to visually show the potential of Division III week.

- October – Develop a communications plan with the Communications Group around Division III week that identifies opportunities at the national, regional and local levels using all of the available platforms. The communications plan should be both promotional and informational in nature for both internal and external audiences.

- December – finalize any materials for use at Convention.

- January 2012 – Use NCAA Convention as a mechanism to both promote Division III week and roll out the new Division III video.

- April or July – Share specific examples of plans that will have already been submitted with the Division III Management Council and Presidents Council.

- At all turns, promote, engage, promote, engage, promote, engage…

DRAFT SUGGESTIONS FOR CoSIDA LEADERSHIP OF DIVSION III WEEK

Selecting a Division III Week Activity:

1. Look back at the 2010-11 academic year to assess all of the various activities undertaken by the athletics department or student-athletes that fall into any of these three categories:

    a. Academic accomplishment (example: a team nominates a faculty member to serve as a guest coach for a practice or competition).
    b. Athletics experience (example: a team participates in a youth sports clinic or competition).
    c. Community or campus outreach (example: a team participates in a local chapter of Special Olympics activity).

2. See if any of those activities fell during the January _____ week and will be repeated during this same week in 2012. If there were none, consider what activities could be adjusted to fall in line with the January _____ week.

3. If no previous event existed in 2010-11, partner with an institutional communications staff member to find an opportunity for the athletics department to be incorporated into an existing institutional activity or event.

4. If no existing event comes to the forefront from either the athletics department or the institution, look to your conference office to get ideas or best practices from other conference members that could easily be replicated on your campus. Assess if there is an activity that could be done jointly with another conference member or another Division III institution in the area.

Promoting and Communicating about Division III Week:

1. Work with the national office to incorporate the key message points from a national level while also incorporating the key points of local interest.

2. Determine your key/target audiences (internal and external), the related platforms and sequence of communications.

3. Maximize the expertise of the conference office to see how the messages of your respective institution are aligning with the message of the conference, conference members and Division III overall.

4. In every communication around Division III week, ensure that the language in positioning platform (positioning statement, attributes, audience benefits, reasons to believe) is being applied.

5. If an event is being repeated from the previous year, compare the communication efforts and results from the previous year with the communication efforts and results after Division III week.

6. Use Division III week as a mechanism to help shape communication efforts going forward (what works, what can be improved, what can be a lower emphasis, etc.). Share the successes internally and externally to maximize the "ripple effect" of Division III week.

7. Maximize the NCAA national office communication platforms to elevate the activities taking place on your campus or in your conference.

Division III Creative Brief for Innovative Edit

Background/Initiative Description:

The Division III identity initiative was launched at the 2010 NCAA Convention. Through an extensive research process and outreach effort, the Division III positioning was developed and rolled out to the Division III membership:

> **Follow your passions and discover your potential.** The college experience is a time of learning and growth – a chance to follow passions and develop potential. For student-athletes in Division III, this happens most importantly in the classroom and through earning an academic degree. The Division III experience provides for passionate participation in a competitive athletics environment, where student-athletes push themselves to excellence and build upon their academic success with new challenges and life skills. And student-athletes are encouraged to pursue the full spectrum of opportunities available during their time in college. In this way, Division III provides an integrated environment for student-athletes to take responsibility for their own paths, follow their passions and find their potential through a comprehensive educational experience.

In addition to the positioning statement and related components (attributes, targeted audiences, audience benefits and reasons to believe), an activation and communication plan was created to roll out the positioning to the Division III membership and stakeholders. Innovative Edit produced a :30 and 5 minute video as a one of the initial components of this plan.

What are we trying to achieve?

The goals of the activation and communication plan are:

1. To advance the Division III positioning so that the membership and stakeholders can:

    a. More precisely define Division III;
    b. Speak with one consistent/unified voice and recognize the power and persuasion that will come as a result; and
    c. Guide, direct and shape future decisions and actions.

2. To educate and engage the Division III membership about the identity initiative and how to apply it at the conference and campus levels.

3. To support the Division III membership through national office financial and staff resources so that they can apply such resources towards their respective needs and target audiences.

4. To reinforce and connect the Division III purpose and values with those of the Association and the collegiate model.

Who is the audience?

The audience is the Division III member schools and conferences as a pass through to their respective audiences:

1. Internal: Athletics department, Board of Trustees/Regents, coaches, deans, faculty, financial aid office, institution and conference administrators, current student-athletes/students.

2. External: Alumni, community, investors, media, prospective student-athletes/parents, fans.

Requested deliverable:

A customizable video that communicates the overarching Division III positioning and also allows for the institution and/or conference to add its customized messages that should align with the Division III positioning. A set of instructions/best practices would also accompany the video so that the conferences and institutions have some guidance on how to secure the most effective supporting elements (video, photo stills, talking heads, voice over, logo format, etc.) to work well with the piece that Innovative produces.

We would be interested in hearing Innovative's suggestions on both an appropriate length as well as the most effective process taking into consideration the varying production capabilities and quality of source material of the 400+ Division III members.

What is the time frame and intended shelf life of the deliverable?

The video would be rolled out and provided to the Division III membership at the January 2012 Convention and would be used at the institution and conference level through the calendar year 2012. As part of the instructions noted above, information/suggestions could be provided on how to refresh the elements that the institutions and conferences add in a second year.

What should the audience do as a result of this deliverable?

Institutions and conferences should use this video as a supporting element to all of their respective communication efforts (speeches, web site, social networking, presentations, special events, video boards, etc.) that advance and unify the Division III positioning/identity.

How should the audience feel?

The primary audience (Division III membership) should feel proud and connected. The secondary audience (Division III membership internal and external audiences) should feel engaged, inspired and excited to be a part of the Division III experience.

Key components of the deliverable:

The video should continue to use the Division III identity visual elements (color palette, mobius strip, Division III mark, Innovative-created animation). The video should also be an embodiment of the language in the positioning document.

Other creative components to be considered:

With this being a customizable video, careful thought needs to go into what source material is used for the overarching Division III video since there will always be a concern about one school showing a video that has its rival in it. This is a challenge that can be sorted through with the assistance of the Division III staff and the broadcast alliance staff that oversees the digital video library.

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

MEMORANDUM

June 29, 2011

TO: Kevin Kruger
Associate Executive Director of NASPA

Stephanie Gordon
Senior Director of Educational Programs

Tiki Ayiku
Assistant Director of Educational Programs.

FROM: Dan Dutcher
Vice President for Division III

Leah Kareti
Director of Division III.

RE: Proposal for NCAA Division III – NASPA Alcohol and Other Drug Education Collaboration.

The attached proposal presents a framework for collaboration between the NCAA and NASPA on the creation and maintenance of a drug education resource for use by NCAA Division III and NASPA members. Please review and contact our office with any questions or a formal response. Please note that the timeline section at the end of the proposal outlines three dates in September to consider for an in-person meeting.

Also attached to this Memorandum is a list of NCAA Division III member institutions.

We look forward to hearing from you.

cc: Lou Stark
Selected NCAA staff members

Proposal for NCAA Division III-NASPA Alcohol And Other Drug Education Collaboration

Background

The NCAA is a voluntary, membership organization comprised of more than 1,200 colleges and universities representing three membership divisions. One of the NCAA's core principles is that of student-athlete well-being; that intercollegiate athletics programs shall be conducted in a manner designed to protect and enhance the physical and educational well-being of student-athletes. The NCAA Constitution charges each member institution with the responsibility to protect the health of and provide a safe environment for each of its participating student-athletes. Consistent with these principles, the NCAA engages in drug testing of its student-athletes (year-round and during championships), requires members to disseminate the Association's list of banned drug classes and educate student-athletes about products that may include banned drugs. Also, the NCAA offers or supports many resources for members to provide alcohol and other drug abuse education to student-athletes.

Division III is the NCAA's largest division and includes 437 member institutions. While there are a wide variety of institutional types and missions in NCAA Division III, the average school has about 2,500 students, and 80% of its members are private institutions. The division holds a philosophical expectation that a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience, that coaches play a significant role as educators, and that student-athletes should access student-services in the same manner as the general student body.

Division III is the only NCAA division that does not conduct year-round drug testing. The division recently reconsidered this position on year-round drug testing via a two-year drug education and testing pilot, where it assessed actual behavior and perceptions surrounding drug education and testing [See attachment]. Ultimately, it was determined that the most appropriate program for the division is one that continues to employ drug testing during national championships, and makes available resources for member institutions to conduct campus-based educational programming and optional, local drug testing.

At the conclusion of the pilot study, the division determined that its drug education program should:

1. Focus on effectively partnering with the student-affairs community;
2. Recognize and leverage the key role coaches play in influencing behavior of student-athletes; and
3. Prioritize alcohol abuse within the new educational framework.

A collaborative partnership between the NCAA and NASPA represents an opportunity to formally bring together athletics and student-affairs staffs to address very significant health and safety issues affecting all college students.

Project Purpose

This proposal is a result of the charge outlined above from the DIII membership. The staff believes that it is important to articulate the NCAA needs and the purpose for this proposal up front so that we ensure that we are meeting the outlined charge and identified needs of the membership. These needs are outlined below, but may certainly be enhanced to engage the partnership and meet the needs of all stakeholders.

NCAA Division III seeks to produce a user-friendly resource for member institutions to customize an alcohol and other drug education program based on a menu of available options. The resource should include recommended curriculum based on specific institutional needs either by substance, time available for programming, knowledge level of staff delivering the programming, and size or type of target audience. Consistent with the overall charge of this project, sport coaches should be viewed as a target audience, a resource and a category of individual who may deliver programming. The menu could include existing NCAA resources (such as CHOICES grants, APPLE Conferences) and also educational modules developed outside of the NCAA.

What the NCAA can offer

NCAA Division III is committed to providing financial support to its members to conduct drug education and testing as part of its strategic plan. Specific funding allocations are under review, but could be an up-front development allocation of $100,000, plus mini-grants of $1,000 provided to each institution to access the programming.

NCAA members conduct student-athlete orientations and other meetings that represent an (often required) platform with which to deliver important information to student-athletes. Student-athletes represent 20-25% of the student body on the average Division III campus, and are often visible members of the student-body. The NCAA has a health and safety staff that works to provide grants and resources to all NCAA members, and has knowledge about effective drug and alcohol deterrence programming specifically for student-athletes. It may be possible that the NCAA could negotiate favorable rates for access to specific on-line or other interactive resources based on volume, should the final program include such a resource. The NCAA has also developed drug education guidelines including a calendar that could be used as a starting point for this initiative.

What the NCAA requests from NASPA

The NCAA's recommended programming traditionally is designed to be offered only to student-athletes. Based on the integrated model that exists on Division III campuses, Division III institutions often must rely on student-affairs staff to provide services to student-athletes, rather than relying on athletics department staff members. Further, the coordination of NCAA resources and NASPA members' expertise should produce an effective and efficient method of delivering programming that will benefit entire campus communities. As such, the NCAA requests NASPA's assistance in identifying the most effective programs that can be offered by student-affairs staff to influence the substance use behavior of students, and to identify an effective method with which to make the resources available. This includes the identification of a delivery method for grant funding to include institutional student-affairs administrators and athletics administrators.

The NCAA would benefit from NASPA's subject matter expertise and is seeking full collaboration on this effort to establish a mutually beneficial, sustainable relationship. As such, the partnership will likely require support by NASPA staff, and use of NASPA infrastructure to develop, maintain and inform the resource.

Collaborative Vision

The student-affairs community and the NCAA have a common interest in providing individual campuses with resource to create unique programs to meet local campus needs. It is important that the resource share common threads of quality that are identified by the partnership between NASPA and the NCAA. To accomplish this, it is proposed that the NCAA, NASPA and any other mutually agreed upon stakeholders have an in-person meeting to create a mutually beneficial partnership and to:

- Outline the mission and goals for the collaborative venture;
- Conceptualize a user-friendly resource that individuals from both Division III and the student affairs community could utilize to inform existing or newly developed drug education programs;
- Identify the indicators of quality within a drug education program to be utilized by Division III institutions or other targeted audience members to create or supplement drug education programs on campus;
- Create a system or support network for informing the collaborative, updating its contents, and maintaining the collaborative partnership and resource created; and
- Identify an evaluation strategy.

The above would serve as a memorandum of understanding about the relationship among the stakeholders, how the collaborative would be created, maintained and evaluated, and the role that the stakeholders would play in contributing to the shared mission and goals created.

Timeline

August 1, 2011	Seek initial commitment to the partnership and identify involved individuals from both NASPA and the NCAA.
Late September, 2011	In-person stakeholder meeting. Current options for this meeting include: Friday, September 23, Wednesday, September 28, and Thursday, September 29.
October 2011 through June 2012	Build resource. Additional project milestones will be established after the stakeholder meeting.
November 2011	NCAA Division III Strategic Planning and Finance Committee receive an update on the product of the stakeholder meeting.
January 2012	NCAA Division III Membership received an update on the initiative.
April 2012	Strategic Planning and Finance Committee receives a project update, makes any necessary adjustment for 2012-14 budget requests.
Summer 2012	NCAA and NASPA promote availability of resource.
September 1, 2012	Launch program.

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Drug Testing Models

Introduction:

Based on a recommendation from the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee, the Management and Presidents Councils 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. To support this recommendation, the committee charged the staff with developing a specific implementation strategy for consideration on its July teleconference, including a proposed framework for campus-based drug testing, and options for fund distribution.

Committee charge:

Identify two to four drug testing recommendations for further analysis and refinement.

This supplement presents a series of options for committee consideration and offers a preliminary analysis of pros and cons for each option, highlighting which entity bears the majority of administrative burden (institution, conference, national office) for the grant. It should be assumed that any campus-based drug testing, even when associated with a national testing program, will require significant involvement by campus personnel. Also, the NCAA has a series of guidelines for institutional drug testing (see Attachment). It should be assumed that any drug testing conducted with Division III dollars will be required to adhere to these guidelines and be one part of a comprehensive strategy that includes strong written policy and effective educational programming. The reference to protocols in the chart of options refers to details such as the number of tests, the timing of tests, and specific substances included in the testing panel.

The committee may consider combining elements from the different options in this supplement, or may offer new or different alternatives. As a starting point, the governance staff recommendation is to consider options two, six and eight for further study and refinement.

Any funding model will require the division to make decisions about how to manage specific challenges. The following assumptions and questions will be incorporated into the next round of analysis for the options prioritized on this call:

- What is the impact on legal liability for the institution, conference or NCAA?
- What entity bears the responsibility for appeals of findings or sanctions?
- What is the impact on athletic eligibility when a student-athlete fails an NCAA funded drug test?

- What entity bears the responsibility for sanctioning if using a national program? Will this vary by substance (street v. performance enhancing)?

- What is the impact of only some members of a conference opting in to the drug testing program?

- Will Division III dollars support both street drugs and performance enhancing? What is the division's priority on street versus performance enhancing drugs?

- Will Division III dollars support testing for alcohol consumption?

- Should there be standards for assessing the drug testing partner? (Are there bad vendors? Who is responsible?)

- What specific success metrics will be used to evaluate this program?

- What is Division III's goal for this program?

- Should the division establish a standard to control the balance of funds in this program between administrative and actual testing expenses?

- If the Division is not able to meet all demand for this program (financially or logistically) what should be the method to assign limited resources?

	Distribution Platforms	Pros	Cons	Primary Administrative Burden
1	Matching grant, with required protocol.	Institution has vested interest in success of program and follows protocol deemed effective by the division. Student-athletes at all participating institutions are subject to the same standards. Highly controlled, can clearly be assessed through strict regimen of assessment.	Scarce campus funds may limit involvement. General national protocol may not best meet local campus needs. Funds are likely to go to the most proactive institutions and not necessarily the most in need.	Shared- national and campus
2	Matching grant, no required protocol.	Institution has vested interest in success of program and total flexibility for fund use.	Scarce campus funds may limit involvement. Lack of required protocol could lead to ineffective administration and could open NCAA or institution to challenge. Student-athletes would be subject to different standards. Difficult to assess effectiveness of program. Funds are likely to go to the most proactive institutions and not necessarily the most in need.	Campus
3	NCAA administered mini grants. This option comes with or without required protocol.	Potentially eliminates financial burden on institution and provides for more NCAA oversight. Institution has vested interest in success of program after submitting for the grant. Highly controlled, can clearly be assessed through strict regimen of assessment.	See matching grant analysis, removing the campus financial burden.	National
4	Conference Grant Program- Required spending on drug testing (this option could come with or without required protocol-- see related assessment in options 1 and 2)	Members of a conference face uniform protocol and sanctions and the conference increases accountability for drug use deterrence. Conference can tailor the program to its needs. This option employs an existing administrative structure.	This option places a burden on the conference office, which may not share a vision with all or some if its members about the specific need to drug test. Not all conference members will have the same campus needs.	Conference

	Distribution Platforms	Pros	Cons	Primary Administrative Burden
5	Conference Grant Program - Optional spending on Drug Testing (significantly increase funding on student-athlete well-being and allow conference to allocate funds to drug testing or other well-being topics such as nutrition, mental health, or sports wagering prevention). (This option could come with or without required protocol-- see related assessment in options 1 and 2)	This option represents total flexibility for the conference to address its own student-athlete well-being priorities.	The division gives up control of specific drug testing funds by allowing them to be spent on other well-being initiatives.	Conference
6	Add funds to existing NCAA year round drug testing program and let a specified number of schools opt into that year round program using Division I or II protocols. (Local choice, national program)	This option employs tested protocol, minimizes the creation of additional administrative burden, and creates opportunities for economies of scale. This option can clearly be assessed, and would be relatively easy to scale up or down the size of the effort. Student-athletes are subject to the same standards across the division.	May not provide the customization needed to be an effective deterrence tool at the local level. Relies on only one vendor. The existing NCAA year-round program includes performance enhancing drugs only.	National
7	Use existing NCAA Drug Testing partner to create a single DIII model and let a specified number of schools opt in to the program. (Local choice, national program)	Could represent a more relevant program than using existing NCAA DI or DII program and creates opportunities for economies of scale. This option can clearly be assessed, and would be relatively easy to scale up or down the size of the effort. Student-athletes are subject to the same standards across the division.	May not provide the customization needed to be an effective deterrence tool at the local level. Relies on only one vendor.	National

	Distribution Platforms	Pros	Cons	Primary Administrative Burden
8	Pursue a volume discount through RFP for a limited menu of drug testing options. The division would subsidize a portion of this expense. (Similar to the Identity purchasing website concept.)	This option combines economies of scale with institutional flexibility.	Student-athletes could be subject to different standards. Scarce campus funds may limit involvement. General national protocol may not best meet local campus needs. Funds are likely to go to the most proactive institutions and not necessarily the most in need. Using a different vendor than the one used for Championships testing may create confusion for institutions.	National
9	Run through a complete program (sampling, testing, sanction protocol) one conference at a time (for the conferences that opt in, on a rotation).	A "pilot" allows for model program development and administration on a smaller scale -- there is more control over program elements and more opportunity to evaluate effectiveness. This option could balance local needs with national protocol.	Individual campus needs may differ within the conference and individual institutions would not have access to the program if the conference does not buy in. This model does not clearly address longer term or ongoing needs of any specific conference.	Conference

Chapter VI

Institutional Drug Testing

The following are suggested guidelines for consideration by NCAA member institutions contemplating a drug-testing program:

1. A member institution considering drug testing of student-athletes should involve the institution's legal counsel at an early stage, particularly in regard to right-to-privacy statutes, which may vary from one state and locale to another. With the use of proper safeguards such as those listed below, drug testing is considered legally acceptable; however, the legal aspects involved at each individual institution should be clarified.

2. Before initiating drug-testing activity, a specific written policy on drug testing should be developed, distributed and publicized. The policy should include such information as: (a) a clear explanation of the purposes of the drug-testing program; (b) who will be tested- and by what methods; (c) the drugs to be tested for, how often and under what conditions (i.e., announced, unannounced or both), and (d) the actions, if any, to be taken against those who test positive. (It is advisable that a copy of such a policy statement be given to all student-athletes entering the institution's intercollegiate athletics program and that they confirm in writing that they have received and read the policy. This written confirmation should be kept on file by the athletics department.)

3. At many institutions, student-athletes sign waiver forms regarding athletics department access to academic and medical records. It is recommended that specific language be added to such waiver forms wherein the student-athlete agrees to submit to drug testing at the request of the institution in accordance with the published guidelines. The NCAA Drug-Testing Consent covers NCAA drug testing only.

4. An institution considering drug testing should develop a list of drugs for which the student-athlete will be tested. The NCAA list of banned-drug classes may be used as a guide.

5. Any institution considering drug testing of student-athletes confronts several logistical, technical and economic issues. Among them are:

    a. When and how samples will be collected, secured and transported.
    b. Laboratory(ies) to be used.
    c. How samples will be stored and for how long before analysis.
    d. Analytical procedures to be used in the laboratory.
    e. Cost.
    f. Test validity.
    g. How medical exceptions will be handled.
    h. Who will get the results and how the results will be used.

6. The NCAA recommends that each institution considering drug testing of student-athletes appoint a committee of representatives from various relevant academic departments and disciplines (e.g., pharmacy, pharmacology, chemistry, medicine) to deal with the issues.

7. The question of where the samples will be analyzed is critical. No matter where the analyses are done, data on false-positive and false-negative rates for the specific tests to be used should be provided. If the laboratory cannot provide such information, another laboratory should be considered. The NCAA recommends that institutions use laboratories that are certified and/or accredited.

8. There is one important consideration that must be dealt with by institutions that are planning to use the results of drug testing as a basis for action involving the student-athlete who tests positive. No matter what screening methods may be used, including thin-layer chromatography and radioimmunoassay, there is a finite probability of a false-positive result (i.e., the test is positive even though the student--athlete is actually "clean"). The NCAA urges that before any action is taken on the basis of a positive result from such screening tests, the results should be confirmed by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry, with the latter test providing the definitive result.

9. The NCAA will continue to monitor guidelines and protocol in an effort to share new developments with the membership through the NCAA Website at www.ncaa.org.

NCAA Division III Academic Reporting Pilot Program 2011-12 Timeline

- March 2011: Membership communication of opening of graduation-rates data collection on April 1, 2011.

- April 1 through June 1, 2011: Collection of graduation-rates data. Required and voluntary data collection will take place during this time for the 2004 entering cohort.

- July through October, 2011: Analysis of data and presentation of findings to the Division III Academic Reporting Working Group. Ongoing development of full report.

- July/August 2011: Report of preliminary, aggregate pilot program findings to Presidents Council and Management Council.

- October 2011: Full report of aggregate pilot program findings to Presidents Council and Management Council and release of school-level reports to participating institutions.

- January 2012: Presentation of aggregate pilot program findings to the Division III membership at the national Convention in Indianapolis. Discussion of possible policy options.

- January 2013: Consideration of any related legislation (if necessary) at the national Convention.

PERCEPTIONS OF DIVISION III PRESIDENTIAL LEADERSHIP AT THE CONFERENCE LEVEL: PRELIMINARY FINDINGS

I. Introduction.

The purpose of this survey was to help the Division III governance structure better assess the role of presidential leadership at the conference level regarding roles, participation and expectations of the institutions' presidents.

Conference commissioners at each Division III multi-sport conference were solicited via email to participate in the web-based survey. For this report, the identity of each institution has been kept confidential and the findings are reported in aggregate form.

II. Sample.

Survey responses were received from 41 of the 42 Division III multi-sport conferences (98 percent).

III. Definitions.

A formal meeting of conference presidents requires attendance by at least a majority of institutional presidents (regardless of actual attendance) and is a part of the conference's annual business calendar where athletics is on the agenda or discussed. Any other conference meetings where less than a majority of institutional presidents were present, and where athletics was on the agenda or discussed, fall under the category of other.

IV. 2009-10 Conference Meetings.

Table 1: Number of presidential meetings held in 2009-10.

	n	**%**
None	3	7.3
One	9	22.0
Two	16	39.0
Three	9	22.0
Four	2	4.9
Five	1	2.4
More than five	1	2.4

More than one-third (39 percent) of conferences held two presidential meetings in 2009-10. More than 80 percent held between one and three meetings.

For those conferences holding one or more meetings, at their first meeting of the academic year:

- All institutional presidents were in attendance for 34 percent of the conferences.
- A majority of presidents were in attendance for 54 percent of the conferences.
- Less than a majority of presidents were in attendance for the remaining twelve percent of the conferences.
- For most of the conferences where all presidents were not in attendance, a substitute other than an athletics official could have been sent in his or her place.
- Attendance by directors of athletics was required for 22 percent of these first meetings.
- Athletics was on the agenda for each of these meetings.

Almost three-quarters of conferences held two or more presidential meetings in 2009-10. For the second conference meeting of the year:

- All institutional presidents were in attendance for 38 percent of the conferences.
- A majority of presidents were in attendance for 45 percent of the conferences.
- Less than a majority of presidents were in attendance for the remaining 17 percent of the conferences.
- For less than half of the conferences where all presidents were not in attendance, a substitute other than an athletics official could have been sent in his or her place.
- Attendance by directors of athletics was required for 24 percent of these second meetings.
- Athletics was on the agenda for each of these meetings.

Almost one-third of conferences held three of more presidential meetings in 2009-10. For the third conference meeting of the year:

- All institutional presidents were in attendance for 38 percent of the conferences.
- A majority of presidents were in attendance for 38 percent of the conferences.
- Less than a majority of presidents were in attendance for the remaining 24 percent of the conferences.
- For less than half of the conferences where all presidents were not in attendance, a substitute other than an athletics official could have been sent in his or her place.
- Attendance by directors of athletics was required for nearly half of these third meetings.
- Athletics was on the agenda for each of these meetings.

V. 2010-11 Meetings and Beyond.

Ninety-three percent of conferences indicated they had a formal or informal presidential meeting during the 2010-11 academic year. Two of the conferences that did not have a presidential meeting at the time of the survey indicated they were anticipating having one before the end of the year. That would mean that 98 percent of Division III conferences held a presidential meeting in 2010-11.

Table 2: Financial support would help ensure that Division III conferences consistently hold presidential meetings.

	n	**%**
No	19	48
Possibly	16	40
Yes	5	12

Approximately half of the responding conferences indicated financial support would not help ensure presidential meetings. Twelve percent indicated financial support would help.

VI. Conference Policies.

Eighty-three percent of responding conferences indicated they do have an established policy regarding either formal or informal meetings among institutional presidents.

VFG Communication #22 Comments

Total Responses – 53 responses representing 31 conferences as of 06/03/2011
Responses grouped alphabetically by conference.

1. Division III week is intended to raise awareness of the division and its values. During a seven-day period, members would conduct an activity that falls into one of three categories:
   - Academic accomplishment (example: recognize student-athlete academic achievement before or during a contest).
   - Athletics experience (example: have each of the fall teams nominate a faculty member to serve as a guest coach for a practice or competition).
   - Community or campus outreach (examples: have each sports teams participate in a Special Olympics, or youth sports clinics or competition; SAAC-lead community service activities).

   The national office will offer resources to support activation of this initiative.
   When is the best time to schedule this week?
   a. October 2011
   b. Late January/early February 2012
   c. Other?
2. The Division III Facebook page (http://www.facebook.com/NCAADivisionIII) is primarily targeted at current, former and prospective student-athletes. The secondary target is athletics administrators and coaches. What type of content would you like to see on this page? (e.g., human interest stories, scores and statistics, SAAC activities)
   - If you have already become a fan of the page, do you have any feedback on what has been posted to date?
   - If not, how should the division promote the page to gain more "fans"?
3. The current Purchasing Website provides each school and conference with $1,000 to spend on banners, media backdrops, decals, and posters. What sort of products would you like to see made available on the purchasing Website next year?

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1. October 2011.
2. Most likely a question student-athletes could answer best. I think many administrators stay away from Facebook. However, an email blast about the page would most likely gain more fans.
3. Apparel -- t-shirts, hooded sweatshirts, sweatpants, hats, etc.

Erin Eaton, assistant director of athletics, Pittsburg-Greensburg, Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. No. I don't feel as though the division should further promote the Facebook site.
3. Polo shirts.

Lance Loya, assistant director of athletics, Mount Aloysius College, Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. I think you should survey current student-athletes. I am not a Facebook user so my opinion is not an informed one.
3. Apparel--students love clothes (t-shirts, hats) and I'd love to distribute these to members of our conference and campus SAACs.

Donna Ledwin, commissioner, Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. I think the page should be used to occasionally draw interest to student interest stories on the main NCAA webpage.
3. Radio advertising vouchers and other media advertising possibilities (newspaper ad vouchers, etc.).

Will Walker, faculty athletics representative, East Texas Baptist University, American Southwest Conference

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1. Other.
2. Scores and stats and human interest stories.
3. While we must be careful not to bite the hand that feeds us, the DIII brand must clearly strike and identify the educational values that we espouse. We are different than DI and DII--perhaps not better than--but different. Our programs are clearly framed by the quality of education surrounding our programs. Therefore, part of our branding should be focused on getting the word out to the nation at large. Instead of individualized efforts (the items mentioned above), allocate funds for a major media blitz through u-tube and other social media with value laden content. DIII is being slowly sucked into a system and identity that is tainted by a perceived lack of educational values and loss of integrity. It is time to take a more public stand, not one that is targeted internally to our campuses.

Tony Ladd, director of athletics, Wheaton College, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. More human interest stories. I use Facebook for social content and Twitter as my news feed, so scores and stats would be overkill, IMHO.
3. Windscreens. These could be utilized at all outdoor venues with the DIII message and school/conference logo.

Steve Ulrich, executive director, Centennial Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. In addition to highlighting the activities of current student athletes the accomplishment of past student athletes maybe 5, 10 15 and 20 years after graduation, a sort of "Where Are They Now" piece.
3. The same items and add bumper stickers

Lesleigh Hogg, head coach, Lehman College, CUNYAC

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1. October 2011.
2. I have not joined the Facebook nation. I will view this page in the near future though.
3. I feel windscreens/banners that can be secured to fences on stadiums are a nice touch. See the type of signs that BigSigns.com produces. The key is having many gromets to secure the sign.

Blaise Faggiano, coach, Utica College, Empire 8

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1. October 2011.
2. No response given.
3. No response given.

Leanne Doherty, faculty athletics director, Simmons College, Great Northeast Athletic Conference

1. October 2011.
2. Continue focus on SAAC and their activities.
3. Continue with banners and posters. Nylon banners (flags) with the Division III logo.

Christopher Ragsdale, commissioner, Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference

1. October 2011.
2. Human interest stories. Interviews of successful DIII alums talking about how being an NCAA DIII athlete was beneficial to them.
3. More banners, decals and posters. I know we could use more at our institution.

Ted Bulling, coach, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Independent

1. No response given.
2. No, I am not a fan of social networking and have avoided it and plan to continue to do so.
3. Apparel.

John Reeves, commissioner, Landmark Conference

1. October 2011.
2. Yes I have become a fan of the page. I think that it is a great tool to identify with current and former student-athletes. Human interest stories are more important than scores and statistics on a social media page.
3. I would like to see items that student-athletes and coaches will use throughout the year be made available on the site. Decals for laptops, pens, notebooks, etc would be more effective than signs and posters because the student-athletes and coaches will be utilizing the products.

Jonathan Harper, commissioner, Little East Conference

1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. I personally have not visited the Division III Facebook page but will do so in the future. I would not limited such a site to one area but a variety of topics with an emphasis on human interest stories of the student-athletes.
3. Sorry, no ideas there.

Kimberley Rybczyk, head coach, Western Connecticut State University, Little East Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. Via e-mail blast. Consistency listing on the bottom of e-mails.
3. Co-branded promotional materials. The banners were great. Flags, t-shirts, promotional giveaways.

Angela Baumann, commissioner, Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. Fund raising ideas; scheduling openings; successful SAAC activities related to Special Olympics.
3. Variety of handouts for student fans.

Tim Shea, director of athletics, Selm State College, Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. I do not do face book or twitter. What I have heard is all positive on the site. Human interest notes are the best. I always here students talk about this person or that team that did this or that.....Any items on the Div III Identity and academic achievements are excellent information.
3. A small give away - key chains or small stickers or something like that.

Michael Duffy, assistant director of athletics, Adrian College, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

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1. October 2011.
2. Facebook is such a social media- I don't know how popular it is with administrators and coaches. Perhaps you could get SID's to put on a link on each institutions athletic home page to gain more interest.
3. I think apparel would be a great idea as well as laptop backpacks or briefcases.

Jennifer Henley, coach, Saint Mary's College, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. No response given.
3. Same.

Steven Corey, president, Olivet College, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

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1. Other.
2. I would like to see human interest stories on the Facebook page similar to stories that air on HBO's Real Sports. E-mail blast reminders about the site that can be forwarded to coaches and student-athletes.
3. Apparel.

Kristen Smith, associate director of athletics, Kalamazoo College, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

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1. October 2011.
2. Place scores and statistics on the page, next maybe have places where students and talk about the games coming up.
3. I would like to see banners, maybe DIII T-Shirts, individual conference apparel.

Devin Burnett, president, Albion College, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association

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1. Late January/early February.
2. Good start to the page however I would encourage you to consider adding more photos and video.
3. I would rather see this money spent in a different way. Perhaps integrating or adding the message into NCAA final four TV commercials?

Vanessa Seljeskog, associate director of athletics, Macalester College, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

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1. Late January/early February.
2. I just joined so I can't give an informative answer. But I would like to see all of the issues mentioned above.
3. Banners.

Jonathon Coren, faculty athletics representative, Elizabethtown College, Middle Atlantic Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. More information would be helpful. Do we know the primary demographic currently visiting the site? I would guess between 16 and 35 .? If so, pictures and videos attract the most attention. Provide prominent connections to conference Facebook pages for greater daily information.
3. Nothing additional comes to mind from conference perspective. Institutions may have more specific needs and ideas.

Chris Graham, commissioner, Midwest Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. No response given.
3. Continue with the banners and wall signage that can be used at our venues. Material utilized by our Admissions Office is a great, "front-line" idea. Get the word out where it can be most effective.

Tim Bald, director of athletics, St. Norbert College, Midwest Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. Include A LOT of human interest stories, championships stories, examples of DIII athletes competing at HIGH levels but integrating their college experience in the campus on which they attend...sell DIII as a unique experience, not a "lesser" athletic experience...tell the story about DIII's special attributes.
3. More reasonably prices decals. Make it affordable to buy a multipack of car-window sized decals that an AD can by 20-30 for less than $75 so that all members of the department can proudly promote DIII. Same with the computer decals we got at the convention. How great would that be to be able to buy 450 of those for our athletes to put on their laptops, for a much more reasonable price than most decals were sold for in the last cycle? Basically more accessible in large quantity high-profile items...luggage tags, computer decals, window clings, key chains.

Heather Benning, coach, Grinnell College, Midwest Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. Publish information about it in college press guides/game programs for fans and students to see. Advertise in high school game programs to make high school student-athletes aware of it. TV advertisements.
3. Similar types of things. Perhaps T-shirts or sweatshirts as well.

Rick Coles, coach, Ripon College, Midwest Conference

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1. Late January/early February.
2. Content: personal stories about overcoming hardships of various sorts. Service activities done by athletic teams. Emphasis on "student first."
3. What you have listed seems fine.

Alan Parks, faculty athletics representative, Lawrence University, Midwest Conference

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1. Late January/early February.
2. Market the page through institutions SAAC executives, have DIII institutions place a link from their athletics page to the NCAA DIII Facebook.
3. I have not been on the Purchasing Website so I unfortunately don't know what is currently offered. That being said flags and posters always grab the publics' attention. In addition pens are a fairly cost effective way to market something to a very large audience at low cost.

Joseph Puntoriero, student-athlete, Knox College, Midwest Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. I like the concept of how things are handled now. Tagging those involved in stories are great. More stories about D3 and highlighting champions following events. No need for regular season scores and stats.
3. D3 logo stencil for painting on track, field, etc. Scoreboard signage or score table banner (i.e., volleyball, basketball). D3 Apparel for administrators, SAAC, or giveaway items. Co-branding opportunities for videos and audio files.

Dan McKane, commissioner, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

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1. Other.
2. Tell the stories of former Division III student-athletes from the different schools within the division. Stories about former student-athletes from private, public, highly-selective, not as selective, large enrollment, small enrollment would be interesting to read.
3. T-shirts that could be co-branded would be great. Hats as well.

Del Malloy, commissioner, New England Collegiate Conference

1. October 2011.
2. No response given.
3. Some kind of outreach that can be distributed to the public. Student-athletes in DIII are aware of DIII, even if they are not solid behind our overall mission. However, the public is really only aware of DI, and has little to no concept of what make.

Bob Brown, faculty athletics representative, Daniel Webster College, New England Collegiate Conference

1. October 2011.
2. I am not a Facebook member, so I have not viewed the site.
   I (and others I know of) am not interested in becoming a member of Facebook. For those who are not going to join, it will be hard to sell. I think that it can be promoted on the website and on other Division III specific communications.
3. There was a very good selection of items this year. Banners, posters and signs are great as well as the press conference backdrops.

Holly Gera, director of athletics, Montclair State University, New Jersey Athletic Conference

1. October 2011.
2. Repeated invitations, instructions that keep it separate from personal FB accounts.
3. No responses given.

Julie Davis, director of athletics, University of Maine, Farminton, North Atlantic Conference

1. Late January/early February.
2. I am not on Facebook.
3. Pencils, pens, flashdrives, academic support materials.

Patricia Bixel, faculty athletics representative, Maine Maritime Academy, North Atlantic Conference

1. October 2011.
2. Have member institutions post an attractive direct link from their athletic websites to the Facebook page. Also, an email campaign to state athletic associations and high school athletic directors could direct them to the website.
3. I like the current items available. It might be worth considering logos/patches/stickers that could be worn on uniforms by athletes and/or distributing t-shirts (or other items that could be worn) to athletes and coaches.

Cory Stevens, coach, Wabash College, North Coast Athletic Conference

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1. Other.
2. As an administrator I am not a big Facebook fan, don't really have a lot of time to surf...but I can see great value for our institutions for marketing, updates, and a place for all to voice common interests, concerns. I agree that the graphics could be a little tighter, page space seems a little on the empty side. Great opportunity to post pictures.
3. I think if there were an updated or more current NCAA logo for indoor sites we would be interested in purchasing that. We would also be very interested in purchasing something with the NCAA logo that could be used at outdoor venues. We really don't have any NCAA Banners etc., that are appropriate for outdoor conditions.

Ellen Dempsey, coach, Hiram College, North Atlantic Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. I think Facebook is best for highlighting feature stories, be they SAAC or any human interest. Stats and scores can be highlighted, but in a conversational tone. Facebook is great for initiating conversation with people. It can be less formal than a traditional website.
   Include references to it on any and all DIII materials, especially electronic ones.
3. More portable signage and banners, perhaps a smaller media backdrop. Perhaps a little more variety in the options.

Keri Alexander Luchowski, commissioner, North Atlantic Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. Nothing specifically. Continue to advertise to campus constituents and somehow advertise the page to DIII Athletes - it seems this is the group that would use this page the most.
3. Apparel/products such as mugs, water bottles, mouse pads, computer bags, lanyards, etc....that can be distributed to wide constituents.

Candice Murray, commissioner, North Eastern Athletic Conference

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1. Other.
2. Don’t know. Unsure, need to seek more feedback from colleagues.
3. Student-athlete memorabilia..so they can serve as walking billboards. Other tangible promotional products that can be utilized as giveaways for events.

Laurie Turner, director of athletics, Pacific Lutheran University, Northwest Conference

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1. Other.
2. Unsure.
3. Banners and media backdrops were helpful. Decals did not garner any traction at our end.

Wendie Guthrie, commissioner, Northwest Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. Current content is good.
3. Apparel for workers (students and adults) at intercollegiate contests.

Jim Dalfer, director of athletics, Westminster College (PA), Presidents' Athletic Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. I think the page is great. Continue to highlight the accomplishments of our student-athletes on the field of play as well as off, especially the latter. There are tremendous stories across the Division, somehow those need to be better communicated to the national office for recognition through avenues like Facebook.
3. Items that can be co-branded with institution, conference and NCAA logo, not just institution/NCAA or conference/NCAA. A-frame signs similar to the banners, in some venues the A-frame is easier to display than a banner. Co-branded table skirting for various size tables.

Will Wolper, commissioner, St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. Human interest stories are always good for promotion of DIII Athletes. Human interest stories will generate more interest at all levels of athletics.
3. Hats -Polo Shirts-Pens---also signs for sportsmanship that can be used outdoors for fall and spring sports.

Patrick Damore, commissioner, SUNYAC

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. I have not seen the DIII Facebook page. I am not a big Facebook user.
3. Uniform patches, basketball court templates.

Dennis Leighton, faculty athletics representative, University of New England, The Commonwealth Coast Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. Personally I would be more interested in stories about teams that either won championships or were in contention. If I were a prospective student to a DIII school, as well as an athlete, this site could help me decide on where I would like to attend. If possible, links to those schools, as well as more photos would be nice
3. Some items like sweatshirts, t-shirts and other attire that could promote the conference would be good.

James Rich, student-athlete, Eastern Nazarene College, The Commonwealth Coast Conference

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1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. Human interest stories provide that insightful perspective that usually grabs the attention and focus of the reader.
3. Given the current economic climate, I would rather see the dollars dedicated to expected expenses that are being subsidized by conference and leagues. Example: the cost of technology for either web casting, video exchange and the current issue of the increase in STAT CREW expense for the upcoming year (per sport upgrade cost)--any and all of these advancements involve dedicated dollars to cover expenses surrounding the broadcasting via "live stats" to the general fans (i.e. parents and supporters) during every sports season-fall, winter and spring

Andrea Golden, director of athletics, University of Rochester, University Athletic Association

1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. No feedback at this time.
3. I would rather see some sort of giveaway item. At the convention, we received decals for mobile devices. My institution had good NCAA signage at our competitive sites but it would be nice to get something in the hands of students (e.g., key rings, decals, stress balls, t-shirts, etc.).

Rosalie Resch, director of athletics, University of Chicago, University Athletic Association

1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. I think it is essential to focus on human interest stories and the incredible stories of our Division III student-athletes. There are so many places to get scores, statistics, records, awards, etc., that this type of information becomes very saturated and does not hold as much weight in trying to build the Division III identity. However, SAAC projects and the unique stories of our student-athletes is truly more compelling.
3. Additional signage and banner options that can still be co-branded would be great. If some type of color flyers could be created, this would also be a great tool to be distributed at conference tournaments and championships as the flyers could be given out at the ticket sales/program sales area.

Corey Borchardt, commissioner, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference

1. Late January/early February 2012.
2. One person from conference office attends annually.
3. Some type of indoor and/or outdoor co-branded 'message boards' - that could be put in a student center or classroom building or outside on a popular walkway or entrance -- opportunity to co-brand DIII & the institution and use a changeable message (i.e. - Home Basketball vs. BLC Tonight 7:00 p.m. @ Kendrigan). I think something like this would be used a lot and would put the brand in front of many more people.

Steve Wammer, director of athletics, Northland College, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference

1. October 2011.
2. I would be interested in seeing more human interest stories rather than statistics. It would be interesting to see if athletes have overcome obstacles, are second generation players, volunteered for an organization over a long period of time, etc.
3. I would like to see wearable goods, specifically sweatshirts. Coming from Wisconsin we are always in need of warmer clothes. I also would be interested in a high quality t-shirt like the one we received at this past NCAA convention in San Antonio. The gray shirt and the laundry bag combo were good but the shirt is fantastic. It would sell!

Jill Prushiek, faculty athletics representative, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

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1. October 2011.
2. Items look interesting.
3. These seem fine.

Richard Telfer, president, University of Wisconsin, Whitewater, Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

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July 2011 Management Council Meeting
Modifications of Wording for 2012 Convention

Modifications of Wording - These proposals are consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the original legislation and sufficient documentation and testimony exists to establish clearly that the original wording of the legislation was inconsistent with that intent. They become effective and are considered adopted when approved in legislative format by a two-thirds majority of the Management Council. Further, they are subject to ratification at the annual Convention business session.

Note – in the following proposals:

- Those letters and words that appear in ~~*italics and strikethrough*~~ are to be deleted.
- Those letters and words that appear in **bold and underlined** are to be added; and
- Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division III legislation.
- Proposal numbers for proposals with a status of "Ready for Consideration by Management Council" are tentative, pending approval by the Management Council.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent
M-2012-1	ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFERS -- FOUR-YEAR TRANSFERS -- ELIGIBILITY AT THE TIME OF TRANSFER	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee)	Immediate	To clarify that a transfer student's eligibility is determined by whether he or she would have been academically and athletically eligible for competition at his or her previous institution at the time the student transfers to the certifying institution.
M-2012-2	NCAA MEMBERSHIP – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP – NCAA CONVENTION ATTENDANCE— REPRESENTATION AND VOTE BY CERTIFIED VOTING DELEGATE	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee)	Immediate.	To clarify that each year an active member institution must be represented by an institutional staff member who is certified as a voting delegate and who votes at the NCAA Convention Division III business session.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent
M-2012-3	ELIGIBILITY -- OUTSIDE COMPETITION, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY --WRESTLING	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee)	August 1, 2011.	In wrestling, to clarify that a student-athlete shall not participate in outside competition (on a team or as an individual) between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1.
M-2012-4	AMATEURISM – PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES – PERMISSIBLE – PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S PARTICIPATION IN INSTITUTIONAL FUNDRAISERS OR PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee)	Immediate.	To clarify that prospective student-athlete may not be involved in institutional fundraisers or promotional activities.

July 2011 Management Council Meeting
Modification of Wording Legislation for 2012 Convention

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFERS -- FOUR-YEAR TRANSFERS -- ELIGIBILITY AT THE TIME OF TRANSFER

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate

Official Notice Number: M-2012-1

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Modification of Wording

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To clarify that a transfer student's eligibility is determined by whether he or she would have been academically and athletically eligible for competition at his or her previous institution at the time the student transfers to the certifying institution.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.4.1, as follows:

14.5.4.1 Exceptions. A student who transfers to the certifying institution shall be immediately eligible if:

[14.5.4.1-(a) through 14.5.1-(b) unchanged.]

(c) The student transfers from a four-year institution to a two-year college, and then to the certifying institution, provided the student either would have been athletically and academically eligible**, at the time of transfer to the certifying institution (see Bylaw 14.5.2),** had he or she remained at the previous four-year institution or he or she successfully completed at least 24 semester or 36 quarter hours of transferable-degree credit at the two-year college and spent at least two full-time semesters or three full-time quarters of attendance at the two-year college.

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5.1.1, as follows:

14.5.5.1.1 Exception. A student who transfers to the certifying institution shall be immediately eligible if:

[14.5.5.1.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The student transfers from a four-year collegiate institution and would have been academically and athletically eligible**, at the time of transfer to the certifying institution (see Bylaw 14.5.2),** had he or she remained at ~~*that*~~ **the previous** institution.

Additional Information: Current transfer legislation does not explicitly specify the point at which to determine whether a student-athlete "would have been academically and athletically eligible had he or she remained" at the previous four-year institution. According to the original intent of Proposal No. 1991-27 and further articulated in Proposal 1997-72, a transfer student-athlete was immediately eligible "only if the student-athlete was academically and athletically eligible for competition at his or her previous institution at the time the student-athlete

transferred from that institution." Therefore, the committee confirmed that the point in time at which the question should be answered is when a student-athlete triggers transfer status per Bylaw 14.5.2 (conditions affecting transfer status) based on the legislation's intent. Clarification of this will assist the membership in applying the transfer rules.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

October 18, 2010: Approved in Concept - Management Council - Supplement No. 9, Item No. 1-(f).

January 12, 2011: Approved in legislative format - Management Council - Supplement No. 20.

Title: NCAA MEMBERSHIP – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP – NCAA CONVENTION ATTENDANCE—REPRESENTATION AND VOTE BY CERTIFIED VOTING DELEGATE

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: M-2012-2

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).

Category: Modification of Wording

Topical Area: NCAA Membership

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To clarify that each year an active member institution must be represented by an institutional staff member who is certified as a voting delegate and who votes at the NCAA Convention Division III business session.

A. Bylaws: Amend 3.2.4, as follows:

3.2.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership

[3.2.4.1 through 3.2.4.14 unchanged.]

3.2.4.15 Convention and Regional Rules Seminar Attendance. **Each year,** ~~*A*~~**a**n active member institution must be represented by ~~*a voting delegate*~~ **an institutional staff member who is certified as a voting delegate (see Constitution 5.1.3.4) and who votes for his or her institution** at the NCAA Convention **Division III** business session ~~*each year*~~**. At least once every three years, an active member institution must be represented** by at least one institutional staff member at the NCAA Regional Rules Seminar ~~*at least every three years*~~.

[Remainder of 3.2.4 unchanged.]

Additional Information: Current legislation specifies that an institution may satisfy the NCAA Convention attendance requirement through representation by a voting delegate; however, that wording did not contemplate a situation in which an institution appoints its conference as its voting delegate with no actual attendance by an institutional staff member. This is contrary to the intent and rationale of the legislation that the legislation be satisfied only if an institutional staff member attends the Division III business session and casts a vote. Therefore, this change is necessary to reflect the intent of the legislation.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

April 11, 2011: Management Council Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 10, item 1-(a).

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- OUTSIDE COMPETITION, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY -- WRESTLING

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Official Notice Number: M-2012-3

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Proposal Category: Modification of Wording

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: In wrestling, to clarify that a student-athlete shall not participate in outside competition (on a team or as an individual) between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1.

Bylaws: Amend 14.7, as follows:

14.7 OUTSIDE COMPETITION, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY. The eligibility of a student-athlete who engages in outside competition (see Bylaw 17.02.9) is affected as set forth in the following regulations.

14.7.1 Outside Competition. A student-athlete becomes ineligible for intercollegiate competition in that sport until eligibility is restored by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution's intercollegiate season in the sport (see Bylaw 14.7.3 for exceptions and waivers) unless restored to eligibility before that time by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement.

14.7.1.1 Additional Restriction – Wrestling. In wrestling, a student-athlete may compete outside of the institution's intercollegiate season as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition, except during the period between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1. The number of student-athletes from any one institution shall not exceed the applicable limits set forth in Bylaw 17.29.2.

[14.7.2 through 14.7.2.4 unchanged.]

14.7.2.5 Competition as Individual/Not Representing Institution. It is permissible for a student-athlete to participate in outside competition as an individual during the academic year in the student-athlete's sport, as long as the student-athlete represents only himself or herself in the competition and does not engage in such competition as a member of or receive expenses from an outside team.

14.7.2.5.1 No Competition Between Beginning of Academic Year and November 1 -- Wrestling. In wrestling, a student-athlete shall not participate in outside competition as an individual between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1.

[Remainder 14.7 unchanged.]

Additional Information: The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee reviewed the history of Proposal No. 2011-12 and noted the final version of the proposal did not include part of the original recommendation that the same date restrictions apply to a student-athlete's participation in outside competition (on a team or as an individual). Since the intent was for all three divisions to be the same regarding practice and competition start dates, the committee believed it was appropriate to modify the outside competition legislation in accordance with the written history of the recommendation.

Estimated Financial Impact: None.

Review History:

April 11, 2011: Management Council – Approved in concept – Supplement No. 12, item 1-f.

Title: AMATEURISM -- PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES -- PERMISSIBLE -- PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S PARTICIPATION IN INSTITUTIONAL FUNDRAISERS OR PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: M-2012-4

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Modification of Wording

Topical Area: Amateurism

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To clarify that prospective student-athletes may not be involved in institutional fundraisers or promotional activities.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.5, as follows:

12.5 PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

[12.5.1 through 12.5.1.1.6 unchanged.]

12.5.1.1.7 Prospective Student-Athlete's Participation in Institutional Fundraisers or Promotions. Prospective student-athletes may not be involved in institutional fundraisers or promotional activities ~~*before initial full-time collegiate enrollment*~~. **(see Bylaw 13.02.6)**.

[12.5.1.2 through 12.5.1.11.1.1 unchanged.]

Additional Information: A review of the interpretive and legislative history indicates the legislation was not intended to prohibit an individual from being involved with an institutional fundraiser even after he or she was no longer considered a prospective student-athlete (e.g., reporting for squad practice). This modification of wording is necessary to eliminate the confusion given the general understanding of how a prospective student-athlete and student-athlete are defined.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

April 11, 2011: Management Council - Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 12, item 1-(g).

July 2011 Management Council Meeting
Noncontroversial Legislation for 2012 Convention

Noncontroversial Proposals - These proposals are considered noncontroversial and necessary in the normal and orderly administration of the Association's legislation. They become effective when approved in legislative format by a three-fourths majority of the Management Council and are ratified at the annual Convention business session.

Note – in the following proposals:

- Those letters and words that appear in ~~*italics and strikethrough*~~ are to be deleted.
- Those letters and words that appear in **bold and underlined** are to be added; and
- Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division III legislation.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-1	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOREIGN TOURS -- SANCTIONED OUTSIDE-TEAM TOURS -- LIMIT ON NUMBER OF STUDENT-ATHLETES -- WOMEN'S ROWING	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	In women's rowing, to specify that the number of student-athletes from any one institution who may participate in international competition as a member of an outside team on a foreign tour shall not exceed four.	None.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-2	AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- EXPENSES TO RECEIVE NONINSTITUTIONAL AWARDS -- ESTABLISHED REGIONAL, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL AWARDS -- ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES PROVIDED BY INSTITUTION	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	To permit an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete and his or her relatives, or individuals of a comparable relationship, to travel to a banquet designed to recognize the student-athlete's accomplishments as an athlete as part of an established regional, national or international award.	Minimal for those institutions that choose to provide these expenses to student-athletes selected to receive these awards.
NC-2012-3	RECRUITING -- HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR CONTESTS -- COACH AND ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT STAFF MEMBER INVOLVEMENT -- ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL DUTIES	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate	To specify that any coach or athletics department staff member directly involved in the recruiting of student-athletes shall not participate in the coaching, officiating or player selection for a high school all-star event; further, to specify that such staff members may serve in an administrative or operational capacity for a high school all-star event.	None.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-4	RECRUITING -- FOUR-YEAR PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES -- PERMISSION TO CONTACT -- RESPONSE TO REQUEST AND HEARING OPPORTUNITY	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate	To specify that if an institution receives a written request from a student-athlete to permit another institution to contact him or her about transferring, the institution shall grant or deny the request within seven business days of receipt of the request; to specify that if the request is denied and a student-athlete requests a hearing, the institution shall conduct a hearing and provide written results of the hearing within 15 business days of receipt of the request; to specify that the student-athlete shall be provided the opportunity to appear in-person or via telephone and actively participate in the hearing; to specify that if the institution fails to respond to the student-athlete's written request or fails to conduct a hearing or provide written results within the specified time period, permission to contact shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide the written permission to the student-athlete; further, to define a business day as any weekday that is not recognized as a national holiday, including any weekday that an institution is closed for other reasons.	Minimal.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-5	ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER -- FOUR-YEAR TRANSFERS -- ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS -- EXCEPTION	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	August 1, 2011	To permit a student-athlete to qualify for an exception to the transfer residence requirement if the student transfers from a four-year collegiate institution that did not sponsor the student-athlete's sport, provided the student-athlete successfully completed at least 24 semester or 36 quarter hours of transferable-degree credit and completed at least two full-time semesters or three full-time quarters of attendance at the previous institution.	None.
NC-2012-6	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S VOLLEYBALL	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee).	August 1, 2011	In men's volleyball, to amend the playing and practice seasons regulations, as specified.	Reducing the permissible number of dates of competition may result in budget savings for the institutions that previously scheduled the maximum number of contests.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-7	COMMITTEES -- SPORTS COMMITTEES WITH ONLY CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES -- COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP -- MEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Championships Committee).	Immediate, pending adoption of related championship at 2011 Convention.	In men's volleyball, to establish a four-person sport committee, representing two regions, to govern the administration of the men's volleyball championship.	$7,200 to cover committee expense related to championship and annual meeting travel and other committee business.
NC-2012-8	MEMBERSHIP -- DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS -- MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION STATUS -- NCAA REGIONAL RULES SEMINAR ATTENDANCE -- PENALTY SANCTION	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).	Immediate.	To specify that an institutional staff member(s) may be required to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar if the institution is placed on probation.	Impacted institutions may have to pay for institutional staff member(s) to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-9	RECRUITING -- DEFINTIONS AND APPLICATION -- PERMISSIBLE RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES FOR ENROLLED STUDENT-ATHLETES -- ELECTRONIC MAIL	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	To permit enrolled student-athletes to send electronic mail to prospective student-athletes for recruitment purposes.	None.
NC-2012-10	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR COMPUTING PLAYING SEASONS APPLICABLE TO ALL SPORTS -- NON-NCAA POSTSEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPATION -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	To specify that practice and competition for one recognized national intercollegiate championship event in an emerging sport for women are exempt from being counted against the institution's declared playing and practice season limitations.	None.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-11	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS AND SPORT-SPECIFIC PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS – CONSOLIDATION OF GENERALLY APPLICABLE REGULATIONS	Ready for Ratification at Convention	NCAA Division III Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee).	August 1, 2011	To reorganize Bylaw 17.1 and the sport sections (17.2 through 17.27) in a manner that the standard provisions appear in the general regulations section while the sport-specific sections are limited to provisions that are applicable only to that particular sport.	None.
NC-2012-12	DIVISION MEMBERSHIP--ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH DIVISION CRITERIA--NONCOMPLIANCE AND THE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS--AUTHORITY OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).	Immediate.	To specify that the NCAA Division III Membership Committee shall review issues regarding membership requirements that are discovered during the enforcement process and may impose penalties for not satisfying membership requirements.	None.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-13	ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS – FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT – REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE OR COMPETITION – EXCEPTION – COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	To permit a student-athlete to practice and represent the certifying institution in intercollegiate athletics while he or she is enrolled in a cooperative educational work experience program (e.g., co-op, internship, practicum, student-teaching) offered by the institution that is a required part of the student's academic program, provided the student is considered to be enrolled in a full-time program of studies, regardless of the credit value of the program.	None.
NC-2012-14	RECRUITING – UNOFFICIAL VISIT – ENTERTAINMENT/TICKETS – GENERAL RESTRICTIONS – COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS FOR A PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S PARENTS, GUARDIAN(S), SPOUSE OR INDIVIDUAL OF A COMPARABLE RELATIONSHIP	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	To permit an institution to provide additional complimentary admissions to a home athletics event to a prospective student-athlete's parents, guardian(s), spouse or individual of a comparable relationship accompanying the prospective student-athlete during an unofficial visit.	Increased cost of complimentary admissions provided to prospective student-athletes during unofficial visits.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Budget Impact
NC-2012-15	AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- PARTICIPATION AWARDS -- MAXIMUM VALUE OF AWARD -- INCREASE TO MAXIMUM VALUES	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	To increase the limitation on the maximum value of the annual participation award for a senior by $100 and to increase the limitation on the maximum value for all other participation awards by $50, as specified.	Potential increase commensurate with increase in award value limitations.
NC-2012-16	AMATEURISM – PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT – EXCEPTION – DESIGNATION OF FUNDRAISING MONEY – PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES.	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	August 1, 2011.	To permit the designation of funds raised through fundraisers for individuals before initial, full-time collegiate enrollment provided the amount raised does not exceed actual and necessary expenses for athletics participation.	None.
NC-2012-17	ELIGIBILITY – FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT – REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE – WAIVER – U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE/NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY – FORMER STUDENT ATHLETE PRACTICING AT ANOTHER INSTITUTION – INDIVIDUAL SPORTS AND WOMEN'S ROWING	Ready for Consideration by Management Council	NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).	Immediate.	In individual sports and women's rowing, in a case in which the U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body in the sport has recommended the individual's participation, to permit a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining to participate in organized practice sessions at an institution other than the one he or she previously attended.	None.

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Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- FOREIGN TOURS -- SANCTIONED OUTSIDE-TEAM TOURS -- LIMIT ON NUMBER OF STUDENT-ATHLETES -- WOMEN'S ROWING

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-1

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: In women's rowing, to specify that the number of student-athletes from any one institution who may participate in international competition as a member of an outside team on a foreign tour shall not exceed four.

Bylaws: Amend 17.29.2, as follows:

17.29.2 Sanctioned Outside-Team Tours. An outside team that includes student-athletes from more than one member institution may participate in international competition in any sport on a foreign tour. However, any such outside team that includes more than the following number of student-athletes from the same member institution must be certified by the institution in accordance with procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.

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

[17.29.2.1 unchanged.]

Additional Information: When women's rowing moved from emerging sport status to championship sport status, placing a limit on the number of student-athletes who may compete for an outside team was inadvertently overlooked. This proposal corrects that oversight.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

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January 12, 2011: Approved in legislative format - Management Council - Supplement No. 22.

Title: AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- EXPENSES TO RECEIVE NONINSTITUTIONAL AWARDS -- ESTABLISHED REGIONAL, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL AWARDS -- ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES PROVIDED BY INSTITUTION

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-2

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Awards and Benefits

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To permit an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete and his or her relatives, or individuals of a comparable relationship, to travel to a banquet designed to recognize the student-athlete's accomplishments as an athlete as part of an established regional, national or international award.

Bylaws: Amend 16.1.7.1, as follows:

16.1.7.1 Established Regional, National or International Awards. An **institution or an** outside organization (other than a professional sports organization) may provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to travel to a banquet designed to recognize the individual's accomplishments as a student-athlete in order for the student-athlete to receive an established regional, national or international award (permitted by NCAA legislation). The **institution or** outside organization also may provide actual and necessary expenses for the student-athlete's relatives or individuals of a comparable relationship to attend the recognition event.

Additional Information: Current legislation permits an outside organization to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete and the student-athlete's relatives or individuals of a comparable relationship to attend an event at which the student-athlete will receive an established regional, national or international award. However, in cases where an outside organization will not cover these costs, an institution may not provide the expenses. The student-athlete receiving the award and his or her relatives or individuals of a comparable relationship must then bear the financial costs if they wish to attend the event. This proposal promotes student-athlete well-being by providing an opportunity for institutions to pay these costs. It also brings equity to the source of funds for noninstitutional awards since institutions can already pay actual and necessary expenses for student-athletes to be recognized by the federal, state or local government and to receive conference awards.

Budget Impact: Minimal for those institutions that choose to provide these expenses to student-athletes selected to receive these awards.

Review History:

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Title: RECRUITING -- HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR CONTESTS -- COACH AND ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT STAFF MEMBER INVOLVEMENT -- ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL DUTIES

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-3

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To specify that any coach or athletics department staff member directly involved in the recruiting of student-athletes shall not participate in the coaching, officiating or player selection for a high school all-star event; further, to specify that such staff members may serve in an administrative or operational capacity for a high school all-star event.

Bylaws: Amend 13.13.1, as follows:

13.13.1 Coach **and Athletics Department Staff Member** Involvement. ~~*A member institution shall not permit a*~~**A**ny coach or athletics department staff member directly involved in the recruiting of student-athletes ~~*to*~~ **shall not** participate (directly or indirectly) in the ~~*management,*~~ coaching, officiating, ~~*supervision, promotion*~~ or player selection ~~*of any all-star team or contest involving interscholastic players or those who, during the previous school year, were members of high school athletics teams*~~ **for a high school all-star event**. **Such staff members may serve in an administrative or operational capacity (e.g., ticket administration, concessions, scoreboard operator) for a high school all-star event.** Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, they shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

[13.13.1.1 unchanged.]

Additional Information: Regulations regarding all-star contests are at odds with the recent legislation (2010 Proposal No. 3) allowing an institution greater flexibility to conduct events involving prospective student-athletes on campus. Currently, coaches and athletics staffs are prohibited from serving in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player selection, operational or administrative duties) for or during high school all-star contests, including operating the scoreboard. Accordingly, some flexibility is warranted for a coach's involvement in a high school all-star contest given the new tryout deregulation and this proposal provides opportunities to do so in a reasonable manner.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

October 18, 2010: Approved in Concept - Management Council - Supplement No. 9, Item No. 1-(e).

January 12, 2011: Approved in legislative format - Management Council - Supplement No. 22.

Title: RECRUITING -- FOUR-YEAR PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES -- PERMISSION TO CONTACT -- RESPONSE TO REQUEST AND HEARING OPPORTUNITY

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-4

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To specify that if an institution receives a written request from a student-athlete to permit another institution to contact him or her about transferring, the institution shall grant or deny the request within seven business days of receipt of the request; to specify that if the request is denied and a student-athlete requests a hearing, the institution shall conduct a hearing and provide written results of the hearing within 15 business days of receipt of the request; to specify that the student-athlete shall be provided the opportunity to appear in-person or via telephone and actively participate in the hearing; to specify that if the institution fails to respond to the student-athlete's written request or fails to conduct a hearing or provide written results within the specified time period, permission to contact shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide the written permission to the student-athlete; further, to define a business day as any weekday that is not recognized as a national holiday, including any weekday that an institution is closed for other reasons.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.02, as follows:

13.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

<u>13.02.1 Business Day. A business day is any weekday that is not recognized as a national holiday, including any weekday that an institution is closed for other reasons (e.g., holiday break).</u>

[13.02.1 through 13.02.11.2 renumbered as 13.02.2 through 13.02.12.2, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.1.2, as follows:

13.1.1.2 Four-Year College Prospective Student-Athletes. An athletics staff member or other representative of the institution's athletics interests shall not make contact in any manner (e.g., in-person contact, telephone calls, electronic communication, written correspondence) with the student-athlete of another NCAA or NAIA four-year collegiate institution, directly or indirectly, without first obtaining written permission to do so, regardless of who makes the initial contact. ~~*An institution must grant or deny a student-athlete's request for permission to contact within 14 days of the initial request.*~~ If permission is not granted, the second institution shall not encourage the transfer. If permission is granted all applicable NCAA recruiting rules apply. **<u>If an</u>**

institution receives a written request from a student-athlete to permit another institution to contact the student-athlete about transferring, the institution shall grant or deny the request within seven business days (see Bylaw 13.02.1) of receipt of the request. If the institution fails to respond to the student-athlete's written request within seven business days, permission shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide written permission to the student-athlete. Written permission may be granted by:

[13.1.1.2-(a) through 13.1.1.2-(b) unchanged.]

[13.1.1.2.1 through 13.1.1.2.2.1 unchanged.]

13.1.1.2.3 Hearing Opportunity. If the institution decides to deny a student-athlete's request to permit any other institution to contact the student-athlete about transferring, the institution shall inform the student-athlete in writing that he or she, on request, shall be provided a hearing conducted by an institutional entity or committee outside of the athletics department (e.g., the office of student affairs; office of the dean of students; or a committee composed of the faculty athletics representative, student-athletes and nonathletics faculty/staff members). The student-athlete shall be informed of this hearing opportunity within ~~*14*~~ **seven business** days of the request for permission to contact ~~*and the institution shall have established reasonable procedures for promptly hearing such a request*~~. **Within 15 business days (see Bylaw 13.02.1) of receipt of the student-athlete's written request for a hearing, the institution shall conduct and provide written results of the hearing to the student-athlete The student-athlete shall be provided the opportunity to actively participate (e.g., in-person, via telephone) in the hearing. If the institution fails to conduct the hearing or provide the written results to the student-athlete within 15 business days, permission to contact the student-athlete shall be granted by default and the institution shall provide written permission to the student-athlete.**

[Remainder of 13.1.1.2 unchanged.]

Additional Information: Recent changes added the 14-day deadlines requiring institutions to respond to a student-athlete's request for permission to contact and to be notified of a hearing opportunity. However, those deadlines do not fully protect a student-athlete's best interests. For example, an institution may choose to not respond to a student-athlete's request which would be considered a denial of the request. Furthermore, current rules do not include a specific time period by which to conduct an appeal hearing, stating only that it be prompt. This proposal narrows the timeline for an institution's response from 14 days to seven business days and requires an institution that denies permission to contact to conduct a hearing within 15 business days. Further, it promotes student-athlete well-being by defaulting in the student-athlete's favor if an institution fails to respond or conduct a hearing in the legislated timeframe.

Budget Impact: Minimal.

Review History:

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Title: ELIGIBILITY -- TRANSFER -- FOUR-YEAR TRANSFERS -- ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS -- EXCEPTION

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-5

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To permit a student-athlete to qualify for an exception to the transfer residence requirement if the student transfers from a four-year collegiate institution that did not sponsor the student-athlete's sport, provided the student-athlete successfully completed at least 24 semester or 36 quarter hours of transferable-degree credit and completed at least two full-time semesters or three full-time quarters of attendance at the previous institution.

Bylaws: Amend 14.5.5, as follows:

14.5.5 Four-Year College Transfers. See Bylaw 13.1.1.2 for prohibition against contacting student-athletes of another four-year collegiate institution without permission.

14.5.5.1 General Rule. A transfer student from a four-year institution shall not be eligible for intercollegiate competition until the student has fulfilled an academic year of residence (see Bylaw 14.02.10) at the certifying institution unless the student qualifies for one of the transfer exceptions set forth in Bylaws 14.5.5.1.1, 14.5.5.1.2or 14.5.5.1.3. A transfer student (other than one under disciplinary suspension per Bylaw 14.5.1.2) may qualify for an exception to the academic year of residence requirement provided he or she does not have an unfulfilled residence requirement at the institution from which he or she is transferring.

14.5.5.1.1 Exception. A student who transfers to the certifying institution shall be immediately eligible if:

[14.5.5.1.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The student transfers from a four-year collegiate institution and would have been academically and athletically eligible had he or she remained at that institution~~.~~**; or**

(c) The student transfers from a four-year collegiate institution that did not sponsor the student-athlete's sport and, while at that institution, the student-athlete:

(i) Successfully completed at least 24-semester or 36-quarter hours of transferable-degree credit; and

(ii) Completed at least two full-time semesters or three full-time quarters.

[Remainder of 14.5.5 unchanged.]

Additional Information: This proposal addresses the situation in which a student-athlete transfers from an institution that did not sponsor his or her sport, but because of athletics participation at a previous collegiate institution the student-athlete does not satisfy the transfer exception. In these situations, the student-athlete does not have the same legislative recourse, as if he or she had transferred from an institution that sponsored his or her sport. Bylaw 14.5.4.1-(c) provides two opportunities for a 4-2-4 transfer to be immediately eligible at the certifying institution. Similar flexibility should be afforded a 4-4-4 transfer.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

October 18, 2010: Approved in Concept - Management Council - Supplement No. 9, Item No. 1-(j).

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Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-6

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: In men's volleyball, to amend the playing and practice seasons regulations, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.8, as follows:

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

[17.1.8-(a) through 17.1.8-(g) unchanged.]

(h) Non-NCAA Postseason Championships and Qualifying Competition. Practice and/or competition in non-NCAA (or non-NAIA or non-NCCAA) postseason championships (e.g., an invitational tournament scheduled after a conference championship) must be counted against the institution's declared playing-season limitation; except practice and competition for one postseason championship in each non-NCAA championship sport used for sports sponsorship purposes in accordance with Bylaw 20.11.3.1.1. An institution may exclude a maximum of three weeks of competition from its declared playing season for qualifying competition for a non-NCAA championship event that is excluded from the declared playing and practice season. The qualifying competition shall be the only event from which teams or individuals are selected to participate in the non-NCAA championship event. In women's gymnastics, practice for and competition in the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association national championship are exempt from the institution's declared playing-season limitation~~. *In men's volleyball, practice for and competition in the Division III Men's Volleyball Invitational Championship tournament are exempt from the institution's declared playing-season limitation*~~; and

[Remainder of 17.1.8 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.10.4, as follows:

17.1.10.4 Nontraditional Segment Length -- Baseball, Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball and ~~*Women's*~~ Volleyball.

The nontraditional segment shall be subject to the following limitations:

(a) All practice and competition shall be limited to a maximum of five weeks;

(b) A maximum of 16 days of athletically related activity with no more than four days of athletically related activity in any one week, shall be permitted;

(c) Any athletically related activity (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) by any member of the applicable team shall constitute the use of a day;

(d) One date of competition may occur and shall be counted as one of the 16 permissible days of athletically related activity;

(e) A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to the following:

(1) Baseball -- two regulation baseball games or 18 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).

(2) Field Hockey -- two regulation field hockey contests or 140 minutes of competition activity.

(3) Men's and Women's Lacrosse -- two regulation lacrosse contests or 120 minutes of competition activity.

(4) Men's and Women's Soccer -- two regulation soccer contests or 180 minutes of competition activity.

(5) Softball -- three regulation softball games or 21 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).

(6) **Men's and Women's** Volleyball -- three regulation matches or 15 regulation volleyball games.

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.25, as follows:

17.25 VOLLEYBALL

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

[17.25 through 17.25.5 unchanged.]

17.25.6 - ~~*End of Regular Playing Season -- Men. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in volleyball by the following dates:*~~

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the National Collegiate Men's Volleyball Championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).*~~

~~*17.25.7 --*~~End of Regular Playing Season~~*-- Women*~~. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in volleyball by the following dates:

(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Volleyball Championship.

(b) Nontraditional Segment **- Women**. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9-(d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.

(c) Nontraditional Segment- Men. All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).

17.25.~~*8*~~**7** - Number of Dates of Competition~~—*Women*~~

17.25.~~*8*~~**7**.1 - Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's ~~*women's*~~ volleyball playing season to a maximum of 22 dates of competition during the traditional segment and one during the nontraditional segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.25.~~*10*~~**9**.

17.25.~~*8*~~**7**.1.1 - In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in ~~*women's*~~ volleyball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.

17.25.~~*8*~~**7**.2 - Maximum Limitations -- Student-Athlete~~—*Women*~~. A student-athlete may participate each academic year in a maximum of 22 dates of competition during the traditional segment and one during the nontraditional segment in ~~*women's*~~ volleyball. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.4 and 17.02.8.

~~*17.25.9 Number of Dates of Competition—Men.*~~

~~*17.25.9.1 Maximum Limitations—Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's men's volleyball playing season to a maximum of 282 dates of competition during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.25.10.1.*~~

~~*17.25.9.1.1 - In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in men's volleyball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing*~~

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

~~*17.25.9.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete – Men. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in a maximum of 282 dates of competition in men's volleyball during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.4 and 17.02.8.*~~

17.25.~~*10*~~**8** Annual Exemptions **– Men and Women**.

17.25.~~*10*~~**8**.1 Traditional Segment ~~*for Women and Any Segment for Men*~~. The maximum number of volleyball dates of competition in the traditional segment ~~*for women and any segment for men*~~ shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

[17.25.10.1-(a) through 17.25.10.1-(g) renumbered as 17.25.8.1-(a) through 17.25.10.1-(g), unchanged.]

[17.25.10.2 renumbered as 17.25.8.2, unchanged.]

[17.25.11 through 17.25.16 renumbered as 17.25.9 through 17.25.14, unchanged.]

Additional Information: Currently, men's volleyball is a national collegiate championship sport. However, if 2011 Convention Proposal No. 5 is adopted, men's volleyball will become a Division III championship sport. The present Bylaw 17 playing and practice seasons legislation for men's volleyball reflects Division I regulations which are tied to it being a national collegiate championship sport. If Proposal No. 2011-5 is adopted, the Bylaw 17 playing and practices season regulations should change to reflect Division III regulations and should be consistent with women's volleyball and other Division III spring championship sports.

Budget Impact: Reducing the permissible number of dates of competition may result in budget savings for the institutions that previously scheduled the maximum number of contests.

Review History:

October 18, 2010: Approved in Concept - Management Council contingent on adoption of 2011 Convention Proposal No. 5 - Management Council Supplement No. 5, Item No. 1.

January 15, 2011: Approved in legislative format - Management Council (Post-Convention) - Supplement No. 6.

Title: COMMITTEES -- SPORTS COMMITTEES WITH ONLY CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES -- COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP -- MEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate, pending adoption of related championship at 2011 Convention.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-7

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Championships Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Committees

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: In men's volleyball, to establish a four-person sport committee, representing two regions, to govern the administration of the men's volleyball championship.

Bylaws: Amend 21.9.6.2, as follows:

21.9.6.2 Committee Membership. Membership on sports committees in team and individual sports with only championships administration responsibilities shall be limited in number as specified in Figure 21-1.

Figure 21-1

Committee Membership

Committee	Number of Members
Baseball Committee	8, including one member from each region
Basketball Committee, Men's	8, including one member from each region
Basketball Committee, Women's	8, including one member from each region
Field Hockey Committee	6, including one member from each region
Football Committee	8, consisting of two representatives from each of the four Division III football regions
Golf Committee, Men's	6, including one member from each region
Golf Committee, Women's	5, including one member from each region
Ice Hockey Committee, Men's	4, including two members from both the East and West Regions (one administrator and one coach).

Ice Hockey Committee, Women's	5, including one representative from each of the five women's ice hockey playing conferences
Lacrosse Committee, Men's	4, including two members from each of the North and South Regions (one administrator and one coach). Two representatives serving on the committee shall be athletics administrators, and two shall be coaching-staff members.
Lacrosse Committee, Women's	5, including one member from each region
Rowing Committee, Women's	6, including one member from each region
Soccer Committee, Men's	8, including one member from each region
Soccer Committee, Women's	8 including one member from each region
Softball Committee, Women's	8, including one member from each region
Swimming and Diving Committee, Men's and Women's	7, including the four Division III representatives to the common Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities (see Bylaw 21.4.6) and three additional members: one representing men's swimming interests; one representing women's swimming interests; and one selected at large. There shall be one or two representatives from District 1; one or two from District 2; one from District 3; one or two from District 4; one from Districts 5, 6 or 7; and one from District 8
Tennis Committee, Men's	4, including one member from each region.
Tennis Committee, Women's	4, including one member from each region.
Track and Field Committee, Men's and Women's	8, consisting of the six Division III representatives to the common Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities (see Bylaw 21.4.7) and two additional members: one of the additional members representing men's track and field interests and the other representing women's track and field interests. One member shall be elected from each of the Division III track and field regions.*
Volleyball Committee, Men's	**4, including two members from each region**

Volleyball Committee, Women's	8, including one member from each region
Volleyball Committee, Men's	4, including two members from each region.
Wrestling Committee	4, consisting of the three Division III representatives to the common Wrestling Committee with playing rules and championships administration responsibilities and one additional member: one member shall be elected from Districts 1 and 2, one from Districts 4 and 5, and two at large.

* The Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee shall be responsible for the Division III cross country, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field championships.

Additional Information: Once the relevant championship is established, institutions sponsoring men's volleyball will be divided into two sport regions for the purpose of defining in-region competition and evaluating teams. Two committee members will be assigned to each region. This assignment is consistent with sport committee composition in sports with similar sponsorship levels. Further, a minimum of four members is necessary to allow for effective committee work and championships administration.

Budget Impact: $7,200 to cover committee expense related to championship and annual meeting travel and other committee business.

Review History:

October 18, 2010: Approved in Concept - Management Council contingent on adoption of 2011 Convention Proposal No. 5 - Management Council Supplement No. 6, Item No. 1-(b).

January 15, 2011: Approved in legislative format - Management Council (Post-Convention) - Supplement No. 6.

Title: MEMBERSHIP -- DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS -- MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION STATUS -- NCAA REGIONAL RULES SEMINAR ATTENDANCE -- PENALTY SANCTION

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-8

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Membership

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To specify that an institutional staff member(s) may be required to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar if the institution is placed on probation.

A. Constitution: Amend 3.02.3.1.2, as follows:

3.02.3.1.2 Membership Classification Status.

> 3.02.3.1.2.1 Probation. Probation is a membership classification status assigned to an institution that indicates that an institution's membership is not in good standing. The status of probation serves as a warning that certain conditions and obligations of membership have not been satisfied and failure to correct such deficiencies shall result in the institution's reclassification to the category of restricted membership. During the probationary year, the institution shall be required to complete an athletics program assessment using a form approved by the Membership Committee and shall also be provided with the guiding principles to establish a model Division III athletics program. **An institutional staff member(s) may also be required to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar.** An institution does not lose membership benefits as a result of being placed on probation.
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> [3.02.3.1.2.2 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 20.02.4, as follows:

20.02.4 Probation. Probation is a membership classification status assigned to an institution which indicates that an institution's membership is not in good standing. The status of probation serves as a warning that certain conditions and obligations of membership have not been satisfied and failure to correct such deficiencies shall result in the institution's reclassification to the category of restricted membership. During the probationary year, the institution shall be required to complete an athletics program assessment using a form approved by the Membership Committee and shall also be provided with the guiding principles to establish a model Division III athletics program. **An institutional staff members(s) may also be required to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar.** An institution does not lose membership benefits as a result of being placed on probation.

Additional Information: This sanction would not be applicable in all instances of membership requirements violations; however, attendance would likely be required if the committee determines compliance education is warranted. Additionally, depending on the circumstances of the violation, the committee would specify which institutional staff member(s) would be required to attend.

Budget Impact: Impacted institutions may have to pay for institutional staff member(s) to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar.

Review History:

January 12, 2011: Management Council - Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 8, item 1-(a).

April 11, 2011: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council - Supplement No. 26.

Title: RECRUITING -- DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATION -- PERMISSIBLE RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES FOR ENROLLED STUDENT-ATHLETES -- ELECTRONIC MAIL

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-9

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To permit enrolled student-athletes to send electronic mail to prospective student-athletes for recruitment purposes.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.5.1, as follows:

13.02.5.1 Permissible Recruitment Activities for Enrolled Student-Athletes. Permissible recruitment activities for enrolled student-athletes are limited to the following:

[13.02.5.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Electronic mail. It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to send electronic mail to a prospective student-athlete for the purpose of recruitment.

[13.02.5.1-(b) through 13.02.5.1-(c) relettered as 13.02.5.1-(c) through 13.02.5.1-(d), unchanged.]

[13.02.5.1.1 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.11, as follows:

13.02.11 Electronic Transmissions. Electronically transmitted correspondence that may be sent to a prospective student-athlete by, or on behalf of, a member of the institution's athletics department staff is limited to electronic mail and facsimiles. **An enrolled student-athlete may send electronic mail to a prospective student-athlete for recruitment purposes.** All other forms of electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., instant messaging, text messaging and social networking websites) are prohibited, except as specified in this section. ~~*An institution's athletics department staff member may not use*~~ **Using** a service or software that converts electronic mail into a text message when received by the prospective student-athlete **is not permitted**.

Additional Information: Electronic mail is convenient, does not place any undue burden on enrolled student-athletes, and allows prospective student-athletes to obtain information from peers about the athletics programs at the institution they may attend. Communication with current student-athletes may allow for honest, realistic information and perspective regarding the institution in a number of areas (e.g., academic, athletics, campus life, expectations). In addition,

for some prospective student-athletes, such as international prospective student-athletes, electronic mail may be the only viable option for communication. Because there is not an additional expense associated with sending electronic mail, and to ensure honest communication, it is unnecessary to have restrictions in place similar to those associated with telephone calls.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

January 12, 2011: Management Council - Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 12, item 1-(a).

April 11, 2011: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council - Supplement No. 26.

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR COMPUTING PLAYING SEASONS APPLICABLE TO ALL SPORTS -- NON-NCAA POSTSEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPATION -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-10

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To specify that practice and competition for one recognized national intercollegiate championship event in an emerging sport for women are exempt from being counted against the institution's declared playing and practice season limitations.

Bylaws: Amend 17.1.8, as follows:

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

[17.1.8-(a) through 17.1.8-(g) unchanged.]

(h) Non-NCAA Postseason Championships and Qualifying Competition. Practice and/or competition in non-NCAA (or non-NAIA or non-NCCAA) postseason championships (e.g., an invitational tournament scheduled after a conference championship) must be counted against the institution's declared playing-season limitation; except practice and competition for one postseason championship in each non-NCAA championship sport used for sports sponsorship purposes in accordance with Bylaw 20.11.3.4.1 **and practice and competition for one recognized national intercollegiate championship event in an emerging sport for women pursuant to Bylaw 20.02.6**. An institution may exclude a maximum of three weeks of competition from its declared playing season for qualifying competition for a non-NCAA championship event that is excluded from the declared playing and practice season. The qualifying competition shall be the only event from which teams or individuals are selected to participate in the non-NCAA championship event. In women's gymnastics, practice for and competition in the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association national championship are exempt from the institution's declared playing-season limitation; and

[17.1.8-(i) unchanged.]

Additional Information: This proposal is consistent with championships in non-NCAA championship sports used for sports sponsorship. A review of the legislative history suggests that this change should have been made with the adoption of the emerging sports for women program.

Budget Impact: None.

Student-Athlete Impact: Could extend the length of the season for involved student-athletes.

Review History:

January 12, 2011: Management Council - Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 12, item 1-(b).

April 11, 2011: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council - Supplement No. 26

Title: PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS AND SPORT-SPECIFIC PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS -- CONSOLIDATION OF GENERALLY APPLICABLE REGULATIONS

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: August 1, 2011

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-11

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Playing and Practice Seasons

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To reorganize Bylaw 17.1 and the sport sections (17.2 through 17.27) in a manner that the standard provisions appear in the general regulations section while the sport-specific sections are limited to provisions that are applicable only to that particular sport.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.1, as follows:

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17.1 GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS

Unless set forth differently in the applicable sports section in Bylaw 17, an institution shall conduct its playing season within the parameters stated in this section.

17.1.1 Playing Season. The playing (i.e., practice and competition) season for a particular sport is the period of time between the date of an institution's first officially recognized practice session and the date of the institution's last practice session or date of competition, whichever occurs later. An institution is permitted to conduct ~~*officially recognized practice and competition*~~ **athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1)** each academic year only during the playing season as regulated for each sport in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw. The institution must conduct the same playing season for varsity and subvarsity teams in the same sport.

> ~~*17.1.1.1 Playing Season – Athletically Related Activities. The playing (i.e., practice and competition) season for a particular sport is the only time within which a member institution is permitted to conduct athletically related activities (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1). However, coaching staff members may engage in coaching activities with a student-athlete during the student-athlete's participation in events listed in Bylaw 16.8.1.3.*~~
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> **17.1.1.1 Declaration of Playing Season. Each member institution shall determine the playing season for each of the sports referenced under Bylaw 17.02.12. Declaration of the institution's playing season in each such sport shall be on file in writing in the department of athletics before the beginning of the institution's playing season for that sport. Changes in the declaration for a particular sport are**

permissible and also shall be filed in writing in the office of the institution's athletics director.

17.1.1.2 Segments of Playing Season. Segment limitations are applicable to all team sports that are listed under Bylaw 17.02.12.1, except for basketball, football and rowing and all individual sports listed under Bylaw 17.02.12.2, except golf, and tennis (see Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4). The segments shall be defined as follows:

(a) Traditional Segment. The portion of the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship in the sport shall be known as the "traditional segment."

(b) Nontraditional Segment. The remaining portion of the playing season shall be known as the "nontraditional segment."

17.1.1.3 Length of Playing Season.

17.1.1.3.1 Sports with a Fall NCAA Championship. The length of an institution's playing season shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks.

17.1.1.3.1.1 Segment Limitations. Except for the sport of football (See Bylaw 17.9) and unless otherwise noted in the applicable sport section, the playing season shall be conducted according to the following:

(a) Traditional Segment.

(1) First Permissible Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice before the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. This provision is not applicable to men's water polo. [See Bylaw 17.25.2-(a)]

(2) First Contest or Date of Competition. September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday. (See Bylaw 17.1.4.5.1.2 regarding Alumni Game) This provision is not applicable to men's water polo. [See Bylaw 17.25.3-(a)]

(3) End of Segment. All practice and competition shall be completed by the conclusion of the NCAA championship.

(b) Nontraditional Segment.

(1) First permissible Practice and Competition. February 1.

(2) End of Segment. All practice and competition shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and

competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular academic term. (See Bylaw 17.1.2-(c) and (d) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.)

17.1.1.3.2 Sports with a Winter NCAA Championship. The length of an institution's playing season shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.

17.1.1.3.2.1 Season Limitations. Except for the sports of basketball, hockey and wrestling (the applicable provisions are set forth in the specific sports sections) and unless otherwise noted in the applicable sport section, the playing season shall be conducted according to the following:

(a) First Practice or Competition. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.

(b) End of Season. All practice and competition shall be completed by the conclusion of the NCAA championship. An institution may continue practice and competition beyond the NCAA championship provide in it within its 19 weeks and all practice and competition is completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a nonregular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that nonregular academic term. (See Bylaw 17.1.2-(c) and (d) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.)

17.1.1.3.3 Sports with a Spring NCAA Championship, except for Golf, Rowing and Tennis. The length of an institution's playing season shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.

17.1.1.3.3.1 Segment Limitations. Unless otherwise noted in the applicable sport section, the playing season shall be conducted according to the following:

(a) Traditional Segment.

(1) First Practice or Competition. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.

(2) End of Segment. All practice and competition shall be completed by the conclusion of the NCAA championship.

(b) Nontraditional Segment.

(1) First Practice or Competition. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

(2) End of Segment. All practice and competition shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period. (See Bylaw 17.1.2 regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.)

17.1.1.3.4 Golf, Rowing and Tennis. The length of an institution's playing season shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.

17.1.1.3.4.1 Periods.

(a) Fall Period.

(1) First Permissible Practice. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution's first date of competition) as specified in each sport.

(2) First Permissible Competition. In golf and tennis, September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Exhibition scrimmages may be conducted during the preseason practice period. In rowing, September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.

(3) End of Period. All practice and competition shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the final regular fall examination period.

(b) Spring Period.

(1) First Practice or Competition. January 15.

(2) End of Period. All practice and competition shall be completed by the conclusion of the NCAA championship.

~~*17.1.2 Segments of Playing Season. The segments of the playing season are defined as follows:*~~

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The portion of the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship in the sport shall be known as the "traditional segment."*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. The remaining portion of the playing season shall be known as the "nontraditional segment."*~~

17.1.2 General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons. In determining the length of an institution's playing season, the following regulations shall apply:

(a) Week. A week shall be defined by the institution as any consecutive seven-day period, regardless of the day on which the seven-day period begins. The playing season, or its segments (or periods in golf, rowing and tennis), shall consist of consecutive weeks. Practice or competition during any part of a week shall be counted as a full week (e.g., practice or competition during nine weeks and one day shall be counted as 10 weeks). An institution may not redefine its week except in the following circumstances:

> **(1) During a segment (or period in golf, rowing and tennis) of the playing season, following a period of at least seven consecutive days that includes a vacation, final-examination period or holiday period during which no athletically related activities occur. [See Bylaw 17.1.2-(d)]**
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> **(2) Between the fall and spring period in golf, rowing and tennis and between segments of the playing season in other sports, provided the institution divides its practice and playing season into two distinct segments per Bylaw 17.1.1.2.**

(b) Total Combined Length. The total number of weeks for both segments (or periods in golf, rowing and tennis) of a playing season combined shall not exceed the maximum permitted in a particular sport;

(c) Holiday, Vacation Periods. In traditional and nontraditional segments (or periods in golf, rowing and tennis), any practice or competition during published vacation and holiday periods during the academic year shall be counted as part of the playing season. If practice or competition is not scheduled during any full week (seven consecutive days) that includes a vacation or holiday period, it neither shall be counted as part of the playing season nor shall constitute a break in a segment (or period in golf, rowing and tennis); [See Bylaw 17.1.2-(a)-(1)]

(d) Final Examination Periods.

> **(1) Traditional Segment. Any practice or competition during a final-examination period during the academic year shall be counted as part of the playing season. If practice or competition is not scheduled during any full week (seven consecutive days) that includes a final-examination period, it neither shall be counted as part of the playing season nor shall constitute a break in a segment. [See Bylaw 17.1.2-(a)-(1)]**
>
> **(2) Nontraditional Segment. An institution shall not conduct practice or competition during a final examination period. For any final examination period of a regular academic term (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester) an institution may not conduct practice and competition five weekdays beforethe first day of the final examination period. This period shall not be counted as part of the playing season nor shall constitute a break in the segment. [See Bylaw 17.1.2-(c) and (d)]**

(e) Nontraditional Segment. The nontraditional segment shall be counted as part of the institutions declared playing season, regardless of whether competition occurs during that segment; and

(f) Equipment Issue, Team Pictures.

(1) It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment or, in basketball and football, the day before the beginning of preseason practice.

(2) Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.

~~*17.1.3 Declaration of Playing Season. Each member institution shall determine the playing season for each of the sports referenced under Bylaw 17.02.12. Declaration of the institution's playing season in each such sport shall be on file in writing in the department of athletics before the beginning of the institution's playing season for that sport. Changes in the declaration for a particular sport are permissible and also shall be filed in writing in the office of the institution's athletics director.*~~

17.1.3 Post-Season Activities.

(a) Makeup Contests. An institution is not permitted to extend the playing season to make up suspended or canceled games except for contests that determine a conference champion or the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championships, provided such contests are concluded not later than 6 p.m. local time of the competition on the date on which participants are selected for the NCAA championship;

(b) Conference Championships. Conference championships must be included within the institution's playing season;

(c) NCAA, NCCAA or NAIA Championships Participation in Team Sports. Neither practice for nor participation in any NCAA, NCCAA or NAIA championship event is considered part of the institution's declared playing season;

(d) Under Consideration for Selection to an NCAA Team Championship. A member institution that has reason to believe it is under consideration for selection to participate in an NCAA championship event may do the following:

(1) Continue to practice (but may not compete against outside competition) beyond its declared playing season, including the conference championship (if any), without counting such practice against the institution's declared playing-season limitation as long as such practice begins not earlier than three weeks before the start of the NCAA championship in that sport.

(2) An institution's spring championship sport team that earns its conference's automatic qualification in the fall segment/period may not continue to practice after the fall segment/period and before the spring segment/period based on its belief that it is under consideration for selection to the spring NCAA championship.

(3) An institution that is not selected to participate in the NCAA championship may continue to practice or compete until the end of that championship only if it has time remaining in its declared playing season.

(e) NCAA Championships Participation in Individual Sports. Only appropriate squad members considered necessary for effective practice with the individual(s) preparing for the NCAA championships may continue to practice without counting such practice against the institution's declared playing-season limitation;

(f) Post-NCAA Championships Participation. After the conclusion of an NCAA (or NAIA or NCCAA) championship in a sport, an institution may resume practice and/or competition in the sport, provided it is continuing its permissible playing season in the sport and provided the activity occurs during the academic year. An institution in the joint-declaration program may participate in the championship for which the institution declared, even when the championship occurs outside the permissible NCAA playing season. Institutions in the joint-declaration program must abide by all other NCAA regulations for all sports, including the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 31.2.1.3);

(g) Non-NCAA Postseason Championships and Qualifying Competition. Practice and/or competition in non-NCAA (or non-NAIA or non-NCCAA) postseason championships (e.g., an invitational tournament scheduled after a conference championship) must be counted against the institution's declared playing-season limitation. For emerging sports for women (see Bylaw 20.02.6) or a non-NCAA championship sport used for sport sponsorship purposes (see Bylaw 20.11.3.4.1), practice and competition for one postseason championship may be excluded under the following circumstances:

(1) An institution may exclude a maximum of three weeks of competition from its declared playing season for qualifying competition for the championship event; and

(2) The qualifying competition shall be the only event from which teams or individuals are selected to participate in the championship event. In women's gymnastics, practice for and competition in the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association national championship are exempt from the institution's declared playing-season limitation; and

(h) Foreign Tours. Participation by a member institution on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.28) need not be included within the institution's declared playing-season limitation in the sport.

~~*17.1.4 Sports Subject to Segment Limitations. Segment limitations are applicable to all team sports that are listed under Bylaw 17.02.12.1 and all individual sports listed under Bylaw 17.02.12.2, except golf, rowing and tennis (see Bylaw 17.1.11). In those sports for which the National Collegiate Championship is the only NCAA championships opportunity (see Bylaw 18.3), an institution's playing season shall be limited to 19 weeks for winter and spring sports and not more than 18 weeks for fall sports. Division III sports are subject to all Division III playing and practice seasons legislation, regardless of the championship opportunities (e.g., national collegiate championships, national governing body) available in those sports.*~~

17.1.4 Practice, Contest and Dates of Competition Limitations.

17.1.4.1 Required Day Off, All Sports. During the playing season (see Bylaw 17.1.1), all athletically related activities shall be prohibited during one calendar day per week, except during the following:

(a) Participation during NCAA championships;

(b) Participation between academic terms when classes are not in session or during the institution's preseason practice that occurs before the first day of classes; or

(c) Participation during an institution's official vacation period when classes are not in session.

17.1.4.1.1 Multisport Student-Athlete. All athletically related activities shall be prohibited during one calendar day per week for every student-athlete, regardless of the number of sports in which a student-athlete participates.

17.1.4.2 Missed Class Time. A student-athlete shall not miss class for the following:

(a) Practice activities in any segment; and

(b) Competition in the nontraditional segment.

17.1.4.2.1 Exceptions. A student-athlete may miss class for practice activities in the following circumstances:

(a) When a team is traveling to an away-from-home contest and the practice is in conjunction with the contest; and

(b) Student-athletes representing the host institution shall be permitted to miss class time for practice activities scheduled in conjunction with an NCAA championship.

17.1.4.3 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests or dates of competition in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season once every four years. Contests or dates of competition played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.28), are not subject to this limitation.

17.1.4.4 Nontraditional Segment Limitations for Baseball, Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball and Volleyball. The nontraditional segment shall be subject to the following limitations:

(a) All practice and competition shall be limited to a maximum of five weeks;

(b) A maximum of 16 days of athletically related activity with not more than four days of athletically related activity in any one week shall be permitted;

(c) Any athletically related activity (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) by any member of the applicable team shall constitute the use of a day;

(d) One date of competition may occur and shall be counted as one of the 16 permissible days of athletically related activity; and

(e) A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to the following:

(1) Baseball. Two regulation baseball games or 18 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).

(2) Field Hockey. Two regulation field hockey contests or 140 minutes of competition activity.

(3) Men's and Women's Lacrosse. Two regulation lacrosse contests or 120 minutes of competition activity.

(4) Men's and Women's Soccer. Two regulation soccer contests or 180 minutes of competition activity.

(5) Softball. Three regulation softball games or 21 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).

(6) Men's and Women's Volleyball. Three regulation matches or 15 regulation volleyball games.

17.1.4.5 Standard Contest or Date of Competition Exemptions.

17.1.4.5.1 Annual Exemptions.

17.1.4.5.1.1 Traditional Segment. The maximum number of contests or dates of competition during the traditional segment/period shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA championship);

(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA championship without the game(s) being counted as a regular-season contest or postseason tournament;

(c) Season-Ending Tournaments. Competition in one season-ending tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship, NCCAA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;

(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;

(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One contest or date of competition each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and

(f) Fundraising Activity. Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of an institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.

17.1.4.5.1.2 Alumni Game. One contest or competition each year with an alumni team of the institution during any segment/period, including during the preseason practice period prior to the first permissible contest/date of competition date.

17.1.4.5.2 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.28.

17.1.4.5.3 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico (All Sports except Basketball). A maximum of four contests or dates of competition on a regular-season trip or a tournament, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.

~~*17.1.5 Mandatory Medical Examination. Before participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities (or, in Division I, permissible voluntary summer conditioning in basketball and football or voluntary individual workouts pursuant to the safety exception), student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility and students who are trying out for a team shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation must be administered within six months before participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities. In following years, an updated history of the student-athlete's medical condition shall be administered by an institutional medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) to determine if additional examinations (e.g., physical, cardiovascular, neurological) are required. The updated history*~~

~~*must be administered within six months before the student-athlete's participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities for the applicable academic year.*~~

17.1.5 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1, except as otherwise noted in this bylaw.

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

17.1.5.2 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restriction on outside competition.)

17.1.5.2.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.28.

17.1.5.2.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.

17.1.5.3 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in the same camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.1.5.4 Other Competition. Coaching staff members may engage in coaching activities with a student-athlete during the student-athlete's participation in events listed in Bylaw 16.8.1.3.

~~*17.1.6 Required Day Off, All Sports. During the playing season (see Bylaw 17.1.1), all athletically related activities shall be prohibited during one calendar day per week, except during the following:*~~

~~*(a) Participation during NCAA championships;*~~

~~*(b) Participation between academic terms when classes are not in session or during the institution's preseason practice that occurs before the first day of classes; or*~~

~~*(c) Participation during an institution's official vacation period when classes are not in session.*~~

~~*17.1.6.1 Multisport Student-Athlete. All athletically related activities shall be prohibited during one calendar day per week for every student-athlete, regardless of the number of sports in which a student-athlete participates.*~~

17.1.6 Waivers and Conditions of Participation.

17.1.6.1 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.1.1.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.1.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.

17.1.6.2 Playing-Season Waiver. An institution with a nontraditional academic calendar may apply to the Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council to act for it, for a waiver of the general or sport-specific playing-season regulations; however, there shall be no waivers to extend an institution's playing season beyond the legislated maximum number of weeks.

17.1.6.3 Use of Tobacco Products. The use of tobacco products by a student-athlete is prohibited during practice and competition. A student-athlete who uses tobacco products during a practice or competition shall be disqualified for the remainder of that practice or competition (see Bylaw 11.1.5 for game personnel restrictions).

17.1.6.4 Mandatory Medical Examination. (#) Before participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities (or, in Division I, permissible voluntary summer conditioning in basketball and football or voluntary individual workouts pursuant to the safety exception), student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility and students who are trying out for a team shall be required to undergo a medical examination or evaluation administered or supervised by a physician (e.g., family physician, team physician). The examination or evaluation must be administered within six months before participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities. In following years, an updated history of the student-athlete's medical condition shall be administered by an institutional medical staff member (e.g., sports medicine staff, team physician) to determine if additional examinations (e.g., physical, cardiovascular, neurological) are required. The updated history must be administered within six months before the student-athlete's participation in any practice, competition or out-of-season conditioning activities for the applicable academic year.

~~*17.1.7 Missed Class time – Practice. No class time shall be missed for practice activities except when a team is traveling to an away-from-home contest and the practice is in conjunction with the contest (see Constitution 3.2.4.12).*~~

~~*17.1.7.1 Missed Class Time for Competition in the Nontraditional Segment -- Baseball, Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball and Women's Volleyball. No class time shall be missed for practice or competition during the nontraditional segment.*~~

~~*17.1.7.2 Exception -- Missed Class Time for Practice in Conjunction with an NCAA Championship. Student-athletes representing the host institution shall be permitted to miss class time for practice activities scheduled in conjunction with an NCAA championship.*~~

~~*17.1.8 General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons Applicable to All Sports.*~~

~~*(a) Practice Only, Nontraditional Segment. The nontraditional segment shall be counted as part of the institution's declared playing season, regardless of whether competition occurs during that segment;*~~

~~*(b) Makeup Contests. An institution is not permitted to extend the playing season to make up suspended or canceled games (excluding contests that determine a conference champion or the automatic qualifier to the NCAA championships, provided such contests are concluded not later than 6 p.m. local time of the competition on the date on which participants are selected for the NCAA Championship);*~~

~~*(c) NCAA, NCCAA or NAIA Championships Participation in Team Sports. Neither practice for nor participation in any NCAA, NCCAA or NAIA championship event is considered part of the institution's declared playing season; and*~~

~~*(d) Under Consideration for Selection to an NCAA Team Championship. A member institution that has reason to believe it is under consideration for selection to participate in an NCAA championship event may continue to practice (but may not compete against outside competition) beyond its declared playing season, including the conference championship (if any), without counting such practice against the institution's declared playing season limitation as long as such practice begins no earlier than three weeks before the start of the NCAA championship in that sport. Further, an institution's spring championship sport team that earns its conference's automatic qualification in the fall segment may not continue to practice after the fall segment and before the spring segment based on its belief that it is under consideration for selection to the spring NCAA championship. An institution that is not selected to participate in the NCAA championship may continue to practice or compete until the end of that championship only if it has time remaining in its declared playing season; (Revised: 1/12/99 effective 8/1/99, 10/17/06)*~~

~~*(e) NCAA Championships Participation in Individual Sports. Only appropriate squad members considered necessary for effective practice with the individual(s) preparing for the NCAA championships may continue to practice without counting such practice against the institution's declared playing season limitation;*~~

~~*(f) Post-NCAA Championships Participation. After the conclusion of an NCAA (or NAIA or NCCAA) championship in a sport, an institution may resume practice and/or competition in the sport, provided it is continuing its permissible playing season in the sport and provided the activity occurs during the academic year. An institution in the joint-declaration program may participate in the championship for which the institution declared, even when the championship*~~

~~*occurs outside the permissible NCAA playing season. Institutions in the joint-declaration program must abide by all* other NCAA regulations for all sports, including the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 31.2.1.3);~~

~~*(g) Conference Championships. Conference championships must be included within the institution's playing season;*~~

~~*(h) Non-NCAA Postseason Championships and Qualifying Competition. Practice and/or competition in non-NCAA (or non-NAIA or non-NCCAA) postseason championships (e.g., an invitational tournament scheduled after a conference championship) must be counted against the institution's declared playing-season limitation; except practice and competition for one postseason championship in each non-NCAA championship sport used for sports sponsorship purposes in accordance with Bylaw 20.11.3.1.1. An institution may exclude a maximum of three weeks of competition from its declared playing season for qualifying competition for a non-NCAA championship event that is excluded from the declared playing and practice season. The qualifying competition shall be the only event from which teams or individuals are selected to participate in the non-NCAA championship event. In women's gymnastics, practice for and competition in the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association national championship are exempt from the institution's declared playing-season limitation. In men's volleyball, practice for and competition in the Division III Men's Volleyball Invitational Championship tournament are exempt from the institution's declared playing-season limitation; and*~~

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

~~*17.1.9 General Regulations for Computing Playing Seasons. In determining the length of an institution's playing season, the following regulations shall apply:*~~

~~*(a) Week. Practice or competition during any part of a week shall be counted as a full week (e.g., practice or competition during nine weeks and one day shall be counted as 10 weeks). A week shall be defined by the institution as any consecutive seven-day period, regardless of the day on which the seven-day period begins. An institution may redefine its week under either or both of the following circumstances.*~~

> ~~*(1) During a segment (or period in golf, rowing and tennis) of the playing season, following a period of at least seven consecutive days that includes a vacation, final-examination period or holiday period during which no athletically related activities occur.*~~
>
> ~~*(2) Between the fall and spring period in golf, rowing and tennis and between segments of the playing season in other sports, provided the institution divides its practice and playing season into two distinct segments per Bylaw 17.1.2;*~~

~~*(b) Consecutive Weeks. In all sports, the playing season, or its segments (or periods in golf, rowing and tennis), shall consist of consecutive seven-day periods and the institution's week cannot be redefined during any segment (or period in golf, rowing and tennis) of the playing season (except as specified above);*~~

~~*(c) Total Combined Length. The total number of weeks for both segments (or periods in golf, rowing and tennis) of a playing season combined shall not exceed the maximum permitted in a particular sport, for the purpose of computing the playing season, and, except as otherwise noted, shall apply during the entire calendar year; and*~~

~~*(d) Holiday, Vacation Periods. In traditional and nontraditional segments (or periods in golf, rowing and tennis), any practice or competition during published vacation and holiday periods during the academic year shall be counted as part of the playing season. If practice or competition is not scheduled during any full week (seven consecutive days) that includes a vacation or holiday period, it neither shall be counted as part of the playing season nor shall constitute a break in a segment (or period in golf, rowing and tennis).*~~

~~*(e) Final Examination Periods.*~~

> ~~*(1) Traditional Segment. Any practice or competition during a final-examination period during the academic year shall be counted as part of the playing season. If practice or competition is not scheduled during any full week (seven consecutive days) that includes a final-examination period, it neither shall be counted as part of the playing season nor shall constitute a break in a segment.*~~
>
> ~~*(2) Nontraditional Segment. An institution shall not conduct practice or competition during a final examination period. For any final examination period of a regular academic term (e.g., winter quarter, spring semester) an institution may not conduct practice and competition five weekdays before the first day of the final examination period. This period shall not be counted as part of the playing season nor shall constitute a break in the segment.*~~

~~*17.1.10 Contest and Segment Limitations.*~~

> ~~*17.1.10.1 Combining Traditional and Nontraditional Segments. In those sports that have different contest limitations in the traditional and nontraditional segments, a member institution that conducts a single continuous traditional segment in a sport (rather than dividing its playing season for that sport into two distinct segments as permitted in Bylaw 17.1.2) shall be limited to the number of contests or dates of competition permitted only for the traditional segment of that sport.*~~
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> ~~*17.1.10.2 Dividing Traditional and Nontraditional Segments. A member institution that divides its practice and playing season into two distinct segments per Bylaw 17.1.2 shall adhere to the following:*~~
>
> ~~*(a) Fall Nontraditional Segment. An institution shall not begin practice or competition until September 7 or the institution's first day of class, whichever is earlier. An institution shall complete all practice and competition not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period. Further, an institution may not conduct a nontraditional segment between the end of the fall nontraditional segment and February 1. See Bylaw 17.1.9 (d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Nontraditional Segment. An institution shall not begin practice or competition until February 1. An institution shall complete all practice and competition not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed no later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular academic term. See Bylaw 17.1.9-(d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

~~*17.1.10.4 Nontraditional Segment Length -- Baseball, Field Hockey, Lacrosse, Soccer, Softball and Women's Volleyball. The nontraditional segment shall be subject to the following limitations:*~~

~~*(a) All practice and competition shall be limited to a maximum of five weeks;*~~

~~*(b) A maximum of 16 days of athletically related activity with not more than four days of athletically related activity in any one week, shall be permitted;*~~

~~*(c) Any athletically related activity (see Bylaw 17.02.1.1) by any member of the applicable team shall constitute the use of a day;*~~

~~*(d) One date of competition may occur and shall be counted as one of the 16 permissible days of athletically related activity;*~~

~~*(e) A maximum of eight hours of athletically related activity may occur on the one date of competition for all participants. Further, competition activity on the one date must be included in the eight-hour maximum and is also limited to the following:*~~

~~*(1) Baseball -- two regulation baseball games or 18 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).*~~

~~*(2) Field Hockey -- two regulation field hockey contests or 140 minutes of competition activity.*~~

~~*(3) Men's and Women's Lacrosse -- two regulation lacrosse contests or 120 minutes of competition activity.*~~

~~*(4) Men's and Women's Soccer -- two regulation soccer contests or 180 minutes of competition activity.*~~

~~*(5) Softball -- three regulation softball games or 21 regulation innings (e.g., three outs per inning, three strikes per out).*~~

~~*(6) Volleyball -- three regulation matches or 15 regulation volleyball games.*~~

~~*17.1.11 Playing Season -- Golf, Rowing and Tennis. In golf, rowing and tennis, the playing season shall be subject to Bylaw 17.1.9 and the following regulations:*~~

~~*(a) Fall Period. Practice may commence on the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution's first date of competition) as specified in each sport and must conclude on the date that is five weekdays before the first day of the final regular fall examination period.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. All practice and competition shall occur between January 15 and the conclusion of the NCAA championship in the sport.*~~

~~*17.1.12 Use of Tobacco Products. The use of tobacco products by a student-athlete is prohibited during practice and competition. A student-athlete who uses tobacco products during a practice or competition shall be disqualified for the remainder of that practice or competition (see Bylaw 11.1.5 for game personnel restrictions).*~~

~~*17.1.13 Playing Season Waiver. An institution with a nontraditional academic calendar may apply to the Division III Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council to act for it, for a waiver of the general or sport-specific playing season regulations; however, there shall be no waivers to extend an institution's playing season beyond the legislated maximum number of weeks.*~~

B. 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)

17.2.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in baseball shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~**(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3 for spring NCAA championship sports.)**

17.2.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in baseball in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

17.2.3 First Contest **and** Date **of Competition**. ~~*A member institution shall not play its first contest (including a scrimmage) against outside competition in baseball in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

17.2.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member* institution shall conclude all practice and competition (contests and scrimmages) in baseball by the *following* dates:~~**(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA baseball championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).*~~

17.2.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

17.2.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition in baseball during the institution's baseball playing season to a maximum of 40 contests (games and scrimmages) during the

traditional segment, and one date of competition during the nontraditional segment, except for those contests excluded under Bylaw 17.2.5.3. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[Bylaw 17.2.5.2 unchanged.]

17.2.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*17.2.5.3.1 Traditional Segment. The maximum number of baseball contests in the traditional segment shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in baseball or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA baseball championship;*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference baseball championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA baseball championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) Season-Ending Tournament. Competition in one season-ending baseball tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship, NCCAA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One baseball contest or both games of a doubleheader each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(f) Fundraising Activity. Any baseball activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.2.5.3.2 Alumni Game. The maximum number of baseball contests shall exclude one contest each year with an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.2.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. The baseball contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.2.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption – Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four contests on a regular-season trip or a tournament, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, shall not be scheduled more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.2.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.2.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.2.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in baseball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.2.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.2.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.2.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from that institution's baseball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.2.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~17.2.8.2 Equipment Issue, Squad Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing baseball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.2.2.~~

~~17.2.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.~~

~~17.2.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.2.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.2.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its baseball team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.~~

C. Bylaws: Amend 17.3, as follows:

17.3 BASKETBALL

17.3.1 Length of Playing Season. *~~The length of an institution's playing season in basketball shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks between the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.3.2) and the end of the regular playing season (see Bylaw 17.3.4). This 19-week period includes permissible conditioning activities as set forth in Bylaw 17.3.2.1.1. Guidelines for computing the basketball playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations.~~* **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

[Bylaw 17.3.2 through 17.3.2.1.2.2 unchanged.]

[17.3.3 through 17.3.3.1(d) unchanged.]

(e) Alumni Contest. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni contest ~~[~~**(**see Bylaw ~~*17.3.5.3-(g)]*~~ **17.11.1.2)** on or after October 15, provided the contest occurs during the declared playing season.

17.3.4 End of Playing Season. *~~A member institution's last contest (game or scrimmage or postseason tournament contest) with outside competition in basketball shall not be played after~~* **All practice and competition shall be completed by the conclusion of** the Division III ~~*Men's*~~ Basketball Championship game.

17.3.5 Number of Contests.

17.3.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition in basketball in any one year to a maximum of 25 contests (games and scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaw 17.3.5.3. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

~~17.3.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in basketball in one or more foreign countries on~~

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

[Bylaw 17.3.5.2 unchanged.]

17.3.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of basketball contests shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Postseason Tournament. Contests in one postseason basketball tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship, NCCAA championship). A postseason tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference basketball championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA basketball championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA basketball championship;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. An exhibition contest against a foreign team in the United States played in the arena in which the member institution regularly plays its home contests;*~~

~~*(f) Exhibition Contest and Practice Scrimmages. One of the following may be exempted:*~~

~~*(1) Two informal practice scrimmages with outside competition; or*~~

~~*(2) One informal practice scrimmage with outside competition and one exhibition contest against an NCAA Division I or II institution conducted on or after October 31 and before the first permissible contest date.*~~

~~*(g) Alumni Contest. One basketball contest each year with an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.3.5.4 Once-In-Three Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. The games played on a foreign basketball tour conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29. (See Figure 17-1.)*~~

17.3.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of basketball contests or competitions shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) Exhibition Contest and Practice Scrimmages. One of the following may be exempted:

(1) Two informal practice scrimmages with outside competition; or

(2) One informal practice scrimmage with outside competition and one exhibition contest against an NCAA Division I or II institution conducted on or after October 31 and before the first permissible contest date.

17.3.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1. However, members of an institution's basketball squad in a wheelchair basketball game against an established wheelchair team after the close of the institution's regular basketball season is permissible, provided the squad members do not wear regular basketball uniforms, and there is no regular practice before the game.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

17.3.6.1 Exception – Wheelchair Basketball Game. It is permissible for members of an institution's basketball squad to compete in a wheelchair basketball game against an established wheelchair team after the close of the institution's regular basketball season, provided the squad members do not wear regular basketball uniforms, and there is no regular practice before the game.

~~*17.3.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in basketball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics. Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics. (See Bylaw 13.12 for restrictions on such employment.)*~~

~~*17.3.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.3.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restriction on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.3.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from that institution's basketball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.3.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing basketball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of preseason practice as specified in Bylaw 17.3.2.*~~

~~*17.3.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of preseason practice is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.3.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw17.3.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses from its intercollegiate basketball team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

D. Bylaws: Amend 17.4, as follows:

17.4 BOWLING, WOMEN'S

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

17.4.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in bowling shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

17.4.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in bowling before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the fall, September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the spring, February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

17.4.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (contest or scrimmage) against outside competition in bowling before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the fall, September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the spring, February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

17.4.4 End of Regular **Playing** Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in bowling by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the last date of final examinations for the regular academic year at the institution.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment:*~~

~~*(1) Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).*~~

~~*(2) Spring: Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9 (d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

17.4.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.4.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition in bowling during the institution's bowling playing season to 26 dates of competition(games and scrimmages), including not more than 10 tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.4.5.3 ~~*and 17.4.5.4*~~ (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[Bylaw 17.4.5.2 unchanged.]

17.4.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in bowling shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship meet in bowling;*~~

~~*(b) NCAA Championship. Competition in the National Collegiate Women's Bowling Championship;*~~

~~*(c) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(d) Alumni Meet. One date of competition each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(f) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. Any dates of competition in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question; and*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.4.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.4.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.4.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.4.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in bowling who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.4.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.4.8.1 Noncollegiate Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restriction on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.4.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.4.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs*~~

~~*may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.4.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing basketball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of preseason practice as specified in Bylaw 17.3.2.*~~

~~*17.4.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of preseason practice is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.4.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.4.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.4.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its bowling team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

E. 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.)

17.5.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in cross country shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1 for fall NCAA championship sports.)**

[Bylaw 17.5.1.1 unchanged.]

17.5.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in cross country before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

17.5.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (contest or scrimmage) against outside competition in cross country before the following dates:*~~ **See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1, except in the traditional segment an institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period, which shall count as one date of competition in the institution's maximum limitation on contests or dates of competition.**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages may be conducted on one date during the preseason practice period (see Bylaw 17.5.2), which shall count as one date of competition in the institution's maximum limitation on contests or dates of competition.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

~~*17.5.3.1 Exception. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni meet [see Bylaw 17.5.5.3 (e)] before the specified first date of competition, provided the meet occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.5.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition in cross country by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA cross country championships.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9 (d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

17.5.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.5.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition to a maximum of nine dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.5.5.3~~, *17.5.5.4 and 17.5.5.5*~~ (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

[Bylaw 17.5.5.1.1 unchanged.]

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

[Bylaw 17.5.5.2 through 17.5.5.2.1 unchanged.]

17.5.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in cross country shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship meet in cross country;*~~

~~*(b) NCAA Championship. Competition in an NCAA cross country championships;*~~

~~*(c) NAIA/NCCAA Championship. Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) or National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) cross country championships;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in cross country each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in cross country each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any cross country activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.5.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in cross country on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 30.7 (see Bylaw 17.29).*~~

~~*17.5.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption – Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four dates of competition scheduled on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition) either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.5.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.5.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.5.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in cross country who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.5.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.5.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restriction on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.5.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.5.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.5.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing basketball equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of preseason practice as specified in Bylaw 17.5.2.*~~

~~*17.5.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a traditional or nontraditional segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.5.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.5.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.5.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its bowling team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

F. Bylaws: Amend 17.7, as follows:

17.7 FENCING

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

17.7.1 Length of Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in fencing shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

17.7.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in fencing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.7.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (contest or scrimmage) against outside competition in fencing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.7.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (matches or practice matches) in fencing not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.7.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.7.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition in fencing during the permissible fencing playing season to a maximum of 11 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw~~*s*~~ 17.7.5.3~~ *and 17.7.5.4*~~ (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[Bylaw 17.7.5.2 unchanged.]

17.7.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in fencing shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) NCAA Championship. Competition in the National Collegiate Men's and Women's Fencing Championships;*~~

~~*(b) Season-Ending Tournament. Competition in one season-ending fencing tournament (e.g., conference championship, regional tournament) other than an NCAA fencing championship;*~~

~~*(c) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in fencing each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(d) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in fencing each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

(e) Hawaii or Alaska. Any dates of competition in fencing in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by a member located outside the area in question;

(f) Fundraising Activity. Any fencing activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and

(g) U.S. National Team. One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body in fencing.

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

17.7.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. *Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.* **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

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

17.7.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in fencing who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.

17.7.8 Other Restrictions.

17.7.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)

17.7.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining with the institution's fencing team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.

17.7.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will

~~*be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.7.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. No limitations.*~~

~~*17.7.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.7.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.7.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its bowling team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

G. 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.)

17.8.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in field hockey shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1 for fall NCAA championship sports.)**

17.8.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in field hockey before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

17.8.3 First Contest or Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (contest or scrimmage) against outside competition in field hockey before the following dates:*~~ **See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1, except during the nontraditional segment an institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period, which shall count as one contest in the institution's maximum limitation on contests.**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages may be conducted on one date during the preseason practice period (see Bylaw 17.10.2), which shall count as one date of competition in the institution's maximum limitation on contests or dates of competition.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2)*~~

~~*17.8.3.1 Exception. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni game (see Bylaw 17.8.5.3.2) before the specified first date of competition, provided the game occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.8.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (contests and scrimmages) in field hockey by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA field hockey championship in the institution's division.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9-(d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

17.8.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

17.8.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's field hockey playing season in any one year to 20 contests during the traditional segment and one date of competition during the nontraditional segment, except for those contests or dates of competition excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.8.5.3~~*, 17.8.5.4 and 17.8.5.5 [see Bylaw 17.8.3-(a)]*~~. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[Bylaw 17.8.5.2 unchanged.]

17.8.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*17.8.5.3.1 Traditional Segment. The maximum number of field hockey contests in the traditional segment shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in field hockey (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA field hockey championship);*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference field hockey championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA field hockey championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) Season-Ending Tournaments. Competition in one season-ending field hockey tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending*~~

~~*tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One contest or date of competition in field hockey each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(f) Fundraising Activity. Any field hockey activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.8.5.3.2 Alumni Game. The maximum number of field hockey contests shall exclude one contest each year with an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.8.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. The contests or dates of competition in field hockey played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.8.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption — Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four dates of competition on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition) either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.8.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall no engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.8.6.1 Summer Practice. Field Hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.8.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in cross country who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.8.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.8.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restriction on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.8.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from the institution's team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.8.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.8.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing field hockey equipment and for taking squad pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of preseason practice as specified in Bylaw 17.5.2.*~~

~~*17.8.8.2.1 - Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.8.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.8.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.8.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its bowling team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

H. Bylaws: Amend 17.9, as follows:

17.9 FOOTBALL

17.9.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in football shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks between the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.9.2) and the end of the regular playing season (see Bylaw 17.9.4). This 18-week period includes preseason practice activities as set forth in Bylaw 17.9.2. Guidelines for computing the football playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing Season Regulations. (See Bylaw 17.9.3 for restrictions on first contest dates.)*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1 for fall NCAA championship sports.)**

[17.9.2 through 17.9.4 unchanged.]

17.9.5 Number of Contests.

17.9.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total regular-season playing schedule against outside competition in football during the permissible football playing season in any one year to a maximum of 10 contests (games and scrimmages), except as provided under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.9.5.3 ~~*and 17.28.1*~~. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[Bylaw 17.9.5.2 unchanged.]

17.9.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. The maximum number of football contests shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) Twelve-Member Conference Championship Game. A conference champion-ship game between division champions of a member conference of 12 or more institutions that is divided into two divisions (of six or more institutions each), each of which conducts round-robin, regular-season competition among the members of that division;

(b) Conference Tournament. A conference-sponsored postseason tournament (i.e., one between teams that are not identified until the end of the preceding regular season), not to exceed one contest for any one member institution;

(c) Preseason Practice Scrimmage. One informal preseason practice scrimmage conducted during the preseason practice period per Bylaw 17.9.3.1-(a);

(d) NCAA Championships. Contests played in the NCAA football championships Season-Ending Tournaments. Competition in one season-ending tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship, NCCAA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;

~~*(e) NAIA Championships. Games played in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) football championship;*~~

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

(~~*g*~~**f**) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four contests on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four contests), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by an institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference~~*; and*~~**.**

~~*(h) NCCAA Championships. Games played in the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) football championship.*~~

17.9.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

[Bylaw 17.9.6.1 unchanged.]

~~*17.9.7 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.9.7.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw14.7 for restriction on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.9.7.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing football equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the opening of permissible practice as specified in Bylaw 17.9.2.1.*~~

~~*17.9.7.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the opening of permissible practice is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.9.8 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.9.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its football team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

I. 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.)

17.10.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in golf shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (fall and spring periods combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4)**

17.10.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in golf before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution's first date of competition) as specified in Bylaw 17.10.3.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. January 15.*~~

17.10.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition against outside competition in golf before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Exhibition scrimmages may be conducted during the preseason practice period (see Bylaw 17.10.2).*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. January 15.*~~

> ~~*17.10.3.1 Exception. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni match [see Bylaw 17.10.5.3-(e)] before the specified first date of competition, provided the match occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.10.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition in golf by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. Five weekdays before the first day of the final regular fall examination period.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Golf Championship.*~~

17.10.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

> 17.10.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition to a maximum of 20 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.10.5.3 (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**
>
> > [17.10.5.1.1 through 17.10.5.1.2 unchanged.]
> >
> > ~~*17.10.5.1.3 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in golf in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.*~~
>
> [17.10.5.2 unchanged.]
>
> 17.10.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in golf shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**
>
> ~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in golf;*~~
>
> ~~*(b) NAIA/NCCAA Championship. Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) or National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) golf championships;*~~
>
> ~~*(c) NCAA Championship. Competition in the NCAA golf championships;*~~
>
> ~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an*~~

~~intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;~~

~~(e) Alumni Match. One date of competition in golf each year with an alumni team of the institution;~~

~~(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in golf each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;~~

~~(g) College All-American Golf Classic. Participation by an institution in the College All-American Golf Classic, provided not more than two student-athletes from the institution participate in that event;~~

~~(h) Fundraising Activity. Any golf activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams or in which team members of that sport participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and~~

~~(i) College-Am Event. A "college-am" golf tournament, provided the event is held in conjunction with intercollegiate competition and student-athletes do not receive awards or prizes for such participation.~~

17.10.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in golf shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) College All-American Golf Classic. Participation by an institution in the College All-American Golf Classic, provided not more than two student-athletes from the institution participate in that event; and

(b) College-Am Event. A "college-am" golf tournament provided the event is held in conjunction with intercollegiate competition and student-athletes do not receive awards or prizes for such participation.

~~17.10.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in golf on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.~~

~~17.10.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four dates of competition on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.~~

17.10.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.10.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.10.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in golf who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.10.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.10.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.10.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. In golf, no member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from that institution's golf team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.10.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.10.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing golf equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of the fall or spring period as specified in Bylaw 17.10.2.*~~

~~*17.10.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a fall or spring period is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.10.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.10.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.10.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its golf team(s) due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

J. Bylaws: Amend 17.11, as follows:

17.11 GYMNASTICS

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

17.11.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in gymnastics shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

17.11.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in gymnastics before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.11.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) against outside competition in gymnastics before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.11.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in gymnastics by the conclusion of the National Collegiate Gymnastics Championships.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.11.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.11.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the permissible gymnastics playing season to a maximum of 13 dates of competition except for the dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.11.5.3 (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[17.11.5.2 unchanged.]

17.11.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in gymnastics shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5, except for 17.1.4.5.3.)**

~~*(a) NCAA Championship. Competition in the NCAA gymnastics championships;*~~

~~*(b) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship meet in gymnastics;*~~

~~*(c) USA Gymnastics and NCGA Championships. Competition in the USA Gymnastics and National College Gymnastics Association (NCGA) collegiate gymnastics championships;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in gymnastics each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in gymnastics each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(g) Hawaii or Alaska. Any dates of competition in gymnastics in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by a member located outside the area in question;*~~

~~*(h) Fundraising Activity. Any gymnastics activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and*~~

~~*(i) U.S. National Team. One date of competition played against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for gymnastics.*~~

17.11.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of gymnastics contests or competitions shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) U.S. National Team. One date of competition played against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for gymnastics.

(b) Hawaii or Alaska. Any dates of competition in gymnastics in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by a member located outside the area in question; and

~~*17.11.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29. An institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.13.5.3.*~~

17.11.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in athletically related activities (outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.11.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized*~~

~~*in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.11.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in gymnastics who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.11.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.11.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.11.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's gymnastics team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.11.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.11.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. No limitations.*~~

~~*17.11.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of playing season (see Bylaw 17.11.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.11.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its gymnastics team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

K. 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. (See Figure 17-1.)

17.12.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in ice hockey shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

[17.12.2 through 17.12.5 unchanged.]

17.12.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's ice hockey playing season to a maximum of 25 contests (games or scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.12.5.3~~, *17.12.5.4 and 17.12.5.5*~~. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[Bylaw 17.12.5.2 unchanged.]

17.12.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of ice hockey contests/dates of competition shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in ice hockey (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA ice hockey championship);*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA ice hockey championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) Season-Ending Tournaments. Competition in one season-ending ice hockey tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Alumni Game. One ice hockey contest each year against an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One ice hockey contest each year with either a foreign opponent in the United States or with a team that is involved in the USA Hockey National Team Development Program;*~~

~~*(g) U.S. Women's National Team. Two women's ice hockey contests against the U.S. national women's ice hockey team during the season leading up to the Winter Olympics; and*~~

~~*(h) Fundraising Activity. Any ice hockey activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

17.12.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemption – Women's Ice Hockey. The maximum number of ice hockey contests or competitions shall exclude women's ice hockey contests against the U.S. national women's ice hockey team during the season leading up to the Winter Olympics (see Figure 17-1).

~~*17.12.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. The ice hockey games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.12.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption – Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four contests on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four contests), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.12.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.12.6.1 Summer Practice. Ice hockey practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.12.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes with eligibility remaining in ice hockey who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.12.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.12.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.12.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-*~~

~~*athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's ice hockey team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.12.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.12.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing ice hockey equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.12.2.*~~

~~*17.12.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.12.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.12.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.12.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its ice hockey team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

L. 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.)

17.13.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in lacrosse shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3 for spring NCAA championship sports.)**

17.13.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in lacrosse in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

17.13.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in lacrosse in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

17.13.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in lacrosse by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA lacrosse championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter.*~~

17.13.5 Number and Dates of Competition.

17.13.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's lacrosse playing season to 17 dates of competition during the traditional segment and one date of competition during the nontraditional segment, except for those contests excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.13.5.3~~*, 17.13.5.4 and 17.13.5.5*~~. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

~~*17.13.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable contests in lacrosse in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.*~~

[17.13.5.2 unchanged.]

17.13.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*17.13.5.3.1 Traditional Segment. The maximum number of lacrosse dates of competition in the traditional segment shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in lacrosse;*~~

~~*(b) Season-Ending Tournament. Competition in one season-ending lacrosse tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season;*~~

~~*(c) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(d) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in lacrosse each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(e) Fundraising Activity. Any lacrosse activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.13.5.3.2 Alumni Game. The maximum number of lacrosse dates of competition shall exclude one date of competition each year with an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.13.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour.*~~

~~*17.13.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four contests on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.13.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.13.6.1 Summer Practice. Lacrosse practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.13.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in lacrosse who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.13.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.13.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.13.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's lacrosse team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.13.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs*~~

~~may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.~~

~~17.13.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing lacrosse equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.13.2.~~

~~17.13.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.~~

~~17.13.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.13.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.13.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its lacrosse team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.~~

M. Bylaws: Amend 17.14, as follows:

17.14 RIFLE

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

17.14.1 Length of Playing Season. *~~The length of an institution's playing season in rifle shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).~~* **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

17.14.2 Preseason Practice. *~~A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in rifle before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.~~* **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.14.3 First Date of Competition. *~~A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) against outside competition in rifle before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.~~* **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.14.4 End of Regular Playing Season. *~~A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in rifle not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period.~~* **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.14.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.14.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the permissible rifle playing season to a maximum of 13 dates of competition except for those dates of competition excluded

under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.14.5.3~~ *and 17.14.5.4*~~ (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[17.14.5.2 unchanged.]

17.14.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in rifle shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5 except for 17.1.4.5.3.)**

~~*(a) NCAA Championship. Competition in the National Collegiate Men's and Women's Rifle Championships;*~~

~~*(b) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship competition in rifle;*~~

~~*(c) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(d) Alumni Match. One date of competition in rifle each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in rifle each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(f) Hawaii or Alaska. Any dates of competition in rifle in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by an active member located outside the area in question;*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any rifle activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and*~~

~~*(h) U.S. National Team. One date of competition played against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for rifle.*~~

> **17.14.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition for rifle shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):**

(a) U.S. National Team. One date of competition played against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for rifle.

(b) Hawaii or Alaska. Any dates of competition in rifle in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by an active member located outside the area in question;

~~*17.14.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption — Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.14.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.14.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.14.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in rifle who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.14.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.14.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.14.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's rifle team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.14.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.14.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. No limitations.*~~

~~*17.14.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of playing season (Bylaw 17.14.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (Bylaw 17.14.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its rifle team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

N. 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.)

17.15.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in rowing shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (fall and spring periods combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4)**

17.15.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in rowing before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution's first date of competition) as specified in Bylaw 17.15.3.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. January 15.*~~

17.15.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in rowing before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. January 15.*~~

17.15.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in rowing by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. Five weekdays before the first day of the final regular fall examination period.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Rowing Championship.*~~

17.15.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.15.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition in rowing during the institution's playing season to a maximum of 20 dates of competition (games and scrimmages), except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.15.5.3~~ *and 17.15.5.4*~~. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

~~*17.15.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in rowing in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However,*~~

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

[17.15.5.2 unchanged.]

17.15.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in rowing shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5 except for 17.1.4.5.3.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship meet in rowing;*~~

~~*(b) NCAA Championship. Competition in the NCAA Division III Women's Rowing Championships;*~~

~~*(c) U.S. Rowing Association Championship. Competition in the U.S. Rowing Association championship;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in rowing each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in rowing each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(g) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. Any dates of competition in rowing in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question; and*~~

~~*(h) Fundraising Activity. Any rowing activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

17.15.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in rowing shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) U.S. Rowing Association Championship. Competition in the U.S. Rowing Association championship.

(b) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. Any dates of competition in rowing in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the

sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question.

~~*17.15.5.4 Once-In-Three-Years Exemption Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in rowing on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.15.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.15.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council*~~

~~*17.15.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in rowing who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.15.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.15.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.15.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with remaining eligibility from that institution's rowing team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.15.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.15.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing rowing equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a fall or spring period as specified in Bylaw 17.15.2.*~~

~~*17.15.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a fall or spring period is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.15.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of playing season (Bylaw 17.15.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (Bylaw 17.15.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its women's rowing team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

O. Bylaws: Amend 17.16, as follows:

17.16 RUGBY, WOMEN'S

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

17.16.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in rugby shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1 for fall NCAA championship sports.)**

17.16.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice in rugby before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition. (See Bylaw 17.1.2.1.)*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the fall, September 1 or the first date on which classes are scheduled for the institution's fall term, whichever date occurs first. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the spring, February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2.1).*~~

17.16.3 First Contest. ~~*A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in women's rugby before the following dates:*~~ **See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1, except, during the traditional segment an institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period, which shall count as one contest.**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 1 or the proceeding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages may be conducted on one date during the preseason practice period (see Bylaw 17.16.2), which shall count as one date of competition in the institution's maximum limitation on contests or dates of competition.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the fall, September 1. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the spring, February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2.)*~~

~~*17.16.3.1 Exception. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni contest [see Bylaw 17.16.5.3-(d)] before the specified first date of competition, provided the contest occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.16.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in rugby by the following dates:*~~

(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the national governing body championship.

(b) Nontraditional Segment. ~~*Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9-(d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~ **[See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1-(b)-(2)]**

17.16.5 Number of Contests.

17.16.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in rugby during the institution's rugby playing season to 10 contests (games or scrimmages), except for those contests excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.16.5.3~~ *and 17.16.5.4*~~. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

~~*17.16.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in rugby in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.*~~

[17.16.5.2 unchanged.]

17.16.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of contests in women's rugby shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5 except for 17.1.4.5.3.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in rugby;*~~

~~*(b) National Governing Body Championship. Competition in the rugby national governing body championship;*~~

~~*(c) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the national governing body championship;*~~

~~*(d) Alumni Contest. One contest each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One contest each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(f) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. Any contest in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question; and*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any rugby activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

17.16.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of women's rugby contests shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) National Governing Body Championship. Competition in the rugby national governing body championship; and

(b) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. Any contests in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question.

~~*17.16.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The rugby contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

17.16.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.16.1 except as permitted by Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.16.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.16.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in rugby who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.16.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.16.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.16.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official,*~~

~~*player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's rugby team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.16.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.16.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing rugby equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of the traditional or nontraditional segment as specified in Bylaw 17.16.2.*~~

~~*17.16.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a traditional or nontraditional segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.16.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.16.1) by modifying the start of the preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.16.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its rugby team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

P. Bylaws: Amend 17.18, as follows:

17.18 SKIING

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

17.18.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in skiing shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks in alpine skiing and 19 weeks in nordic skiing (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

17.18.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in skiing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.18.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meets or practice meets) against outside competition in skiing before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.18.4 End of Regular Playing Season. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in skiing not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period.

17.18.5 Number and Dates of Competition.

17.18.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the permissible skiing playing season to a maximum of 16 dates of competition in Nordic skiing and 16 dates of competition in Alpine skiing, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.18.5.3 ~~*and 17.18.5.4*~~ (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

[Bylaw 17.18.5.1.1 unchanged.]

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

[Bylaw 17.18.5.2 unchanged.]

17.18.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in skiing shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaws 17.1.4.5 and 17.1.4.5.3.)**

~~*(a) NCAA Championship. Competition in the National Collegiate Men's and Women's Skiing Championships;*~~

~~*(b) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship meet in skiing;*~~

~~*(c) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(d) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in skiing each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in skiing each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(f) Hawaii or Alaska. Any dates of competition in skiing in Hawaii or Alaska, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii or Alaska, by a member located outside the area in question; (g) Fundraising Activity. Any skiing activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams*~~

~~*participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and*~~

~~*(h) U.S. National Team. One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for skiing.*~~

17.18.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of skiing dates of competitions shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):

(a) U.S. National Team. One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for skiing; and

(b) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. Any dates of competition in skiing in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question.

~~*17.18.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29. An institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.18.5.3(f).*~~

17.18.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff at the student-athlete's institution shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1. 5)**

~~*17.18.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.18.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in skiing who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.18.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.18.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.18.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's skiing team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.18.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may*~~

~~*participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.18.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. No limitations.*~~

~~*17.18.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of playing season (Bylaw 17.18.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (Bylaw 17.18.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its skiing team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

Q. 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.)

17.19.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in soccer shall be limited to a maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1 for fall NCAA championship sports.)**

17.19.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice in soccer before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

17.19.3 First Contest or Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not play its first contest or engage in its first date of competition (game) against outside competition in soccer before the following dates:*~~ **See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1, except during the traditional segment:**

(a) ~~*Traditional Segment. September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday.*~~ An institution may play up to three soccer scrimmages or exhibition games (which shall not count toward the institution's win-loss record) before the first scheduled contest, provided the scrimmages or exhibition games are conducted during the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.19.1 and are counted against the maximum number of contests. ~~*In addition*~~

(b) ~~*a*~~**A**n institution may conduct an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages on one date during the preseason practice period, which shall count as one of three scrimmages or exhibition games detailed ~~*above*~~ **in (a).**

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. February 1(See Bylaw 17.1.102). (See Bylaw 17.1.2.1.1.)*~~

~~*17.19.3.1 Exception. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni game (see Bylaw 17.19.5.3.2) before the specified first date of competition, provided the game occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.19.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in soccer by the following dates set forth in Bylaw 17.1.2.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III soccer championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9 (d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

17.19.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

17.19.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's soccer playing season in any one year to a maximum of 20 contests during the traditional segment and one date of competition during the nontraditional segment, except for those contests ~~*and/or dates of competition*~~ excluded under Bylaw~~*s*~~ 17.19.5.3~~*, 17.19.5.4 and 17.19.5.5*~~. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[17.19.5.2 unchanged.]

17.19.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. **(See Standard exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*17.19.5.3.1 Traditional Segment. The maximum number of soccer contests during the traditional segment shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in soccer (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA soccer championship);*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference soccer championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA soccer championship without the game(s) being counted as a regular-season contest or postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) Season-Ending Tournaments. Competition in one season-ending soccer tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship, NCCAA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One soccer contest or date of competition each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(f) Fundraising Activity. Any soccer activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of an institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.19.5.3.2 Alumni Game. The maximum number of soccer contests shall exclude one contest each year with an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.19.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour. The soccer games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.19.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four contests on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four contests), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.19.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.19.6.1 Summer Practice. Soccer practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.19.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in the same soccer camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.19.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.19.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restriction on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.19.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's soccer team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.19.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.19.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing soccer equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.19.4.*~~

~~*17.19.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.19.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.19.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.19.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its soccer team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

R. 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).

17.20.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in softball before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3 for spring NCAA championship sports.)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the fall, September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier. For an institution that conducts its nontraditional segment in the spring, February 1 (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

17.20.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in softball in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

17.20.3 First Contest **or** Date **of Competition**. ~~*A member institution shall not play its first contest (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in softball in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

17.20.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in softball by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Softball Championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).*~~

17.20.5 Number ~~*of Contests*~~ and Dates of Competition.

17.20.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's softball playing season to a maximum of 40 contests (games and scrimmages) during the traditional segment, and one date of competition during the nontraditional segment, except for those contests excluded under Bylaw 17.20.5.3. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

~~*17.20.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable contests in softball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.*~~

[Bylaw 17.20.5.2 unchanged.]

17.20.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*17.20.5.3.1 Traditional Segment. The maximum number of softball contests in the traditional segment shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in softball (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA softball championship);*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in an NCAA softball championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) Season-Ending Tournament. Competition in one season-ending softball tournament (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship, NCCAA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One softball contest or both games in a doubleheader each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(f) Fundraising Activity. Any softball activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of an institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.20.5.3.2 Alumni Game. The maximum number of softball contests shall exclude one contest each year with an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.20.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The softball games played on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.20.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four contests on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four contests), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation*~~

~~shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.~~

17.20.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. *~~Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.~~* **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~17.20.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.~~

~~17.20.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in softball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.~~

~~17.20.8 Other Restrictions.~~

~~17.20.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)~~

~~17.20.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's softball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.~~

~~17.20.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.~~

~~17.20.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing softball equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.20.2.~~

~~17.20.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.~~

~~17.20.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.20.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.20.2) for~~

~~*an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its softball team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

S. Bylaws: Amend 17.22, as follows:

17.21 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)

17.21.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in swimming and diving shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

17.21.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in swimming and diving in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.21.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (contest or scrimmage) against outside competition in swimming and diving in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.21.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in swimming and diving by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Swimming and Diving Championships.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment.*~~

> ~~*(1) Fall. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).*~~
>
> ~~*(2) Spring. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.91.1.5-(d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

17.21.5 Number of ~~*Contests and*~~ Dates of Competition.

> 17.21.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition to a maximum of 16 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.21.5.3 (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of required student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[Bylaw 17.21.5.2 unchanged.]

17.21.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in swimming and diving shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship meet in swimming and diving (or the meet used to determine the conference's entries in an NCAA swimming and diving championships);*~~

~~*(b) NCAA Championship. Competition in the NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships;*~~

~~*(c) NAIA Championship. Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) swimming championships;*~~

~~*(d) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in swimming and diving each year against an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(e) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in swimming and diving each year with a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any swimming and diving activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.21.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in swimming and diving on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.21.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four dates of competition scheduled on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition), either against or under the sponsorship of an active*~~

~~*member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.21.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.21.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.21.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in swimming and diving that may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.21.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.21.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.21.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Members. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's swimming and diving team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.21.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.21.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing swimming and diving equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of the traditional or nontraditional segment as specified in Bylaw 17.21.2.*~~

~~*17.21.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a traditional or nontraditional segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.21.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.21.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.21.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its swimming and diving team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

T. Bylaws: Amend 17.23, as follows:

17.22 TENNIS

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

17.22.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in tennis shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (fall and spring periods combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4)**

17.22.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in tennis before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula before the first permissible date of competition (as opposed to the institution's first date of competition) as specified in Bylaw 17.22.3.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. January 15.*~~

17.22.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (match or practice match) against outside competition in tennis before the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, or the institution's first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Exhibition scrimmages may be conducted during the preseason practice period (see Bylaw 17.22.2).*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. January 15.*~~

> ~~*17.22.3.1 Exception. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni match [see Bylaw 17.22.5.3-(e)] before the specified first date of competition, provided the match occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.22.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition in tennis by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.4.1)**

~~*(a) Fall Period. Five weekdays before the first day of the final regular fall examination period.*~~

~~*(b) Spring Period. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Tennis Championship.*~~

17.22.5 Number of Contests and Dates of Competition.

> 17.22.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition to a maximum of 20 dates of competition, including not more than four individual singles and/or doubles tournaments that are counted as single dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded

under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.22.5.3~~, 17.22.5.4 and 17.22.5.5~~ (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

[17.22.5.1.1 and 17.22.5.1.2 unchanged.]

~~*17.22.5.1.3 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in tennis in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years*~~.

[17.22.5.2 and 17.22.5.2.1 unchanged.]

17.22.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in tennis shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in tennis (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entries in the NCAA tennis championships);*~~

~~*(b) NCAA Championship. Competition in the NCAA tennis championships;*~~

~~*(c) NAIA Championship. Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) tennis championships;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Alumni Match. One date of competition in tennis each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in tennis each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any tennis activities in which athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams or in which team members of that sport participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of an institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.22.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption – Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in tennis on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.22.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four dates of competition on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.22.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.22.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.22.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in tennis who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.22.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.22.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.22.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from that institution's tennis team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.22.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.22.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing tennis equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of the fall or spring period as specified in Bylaw 17.22.2.*~~

~~*17.22.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a fall or spring period is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.22.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.22.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.22.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its tennis team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

U. Bylaws: Amend 17.24, as follows:

17.23 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)

[17.23.1 through 17.23.1.1 unchanged.]

17.23.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in indoor and outdoor track and field before the following dates:*~~ **(For indoor track and field, see Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1 for winter NCAA championship sports; for outdoor track and field, see Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1 for spring NCAA championship sports.)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

17.23.3 First Contest ~~*and*~~ **or** Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (meet or practice meet) against outside competition in indoor and outdoor track and field before the following dates:*~~ **(For indoor track and field, see Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1; for outdoor track and field, see Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1.)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~

17.23.4 End of Regular **Playing** Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in each segment in indoor and outdoor track and field by the following dates:*~~ **(For indoor track and field, see Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1; for outdoor track and field, see Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1.)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. For indoor track and field, the traditional segment shall end with the conclusion of the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships. For outdoor track and field, the traditional segment shall end with the conclusion of the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. Not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period.*~~

17.23.5 Number of ~~*Contests and*~~ Dates of Competition.

17.23.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the permissible indoor/outdoor track and field playing season to a maximum of 18 dates of competition (which may include not more than four two-day events that shall each count as a single date of competition) except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.23.5.3 (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). An institution that participates in a meet that exceeds two days in duration may count the first two days of the competition as a single date of competition but must count any additional days as separate dates of competition. Such multi-day events shall count toward the four two-day events that may count as a single date of competition. **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

~~*17.23.5.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may engage in one or more of its countable dates of competition in indoor and outdoor track and field in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for competition in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.*~~

[17.23.5.2 unchanged.]

17.23.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in the sports of indoor and outdoor track and field shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship meet in indoor track and field and one such meet in outdoor track and field;*~~

~~*(b) NCAA Championships. Competition in the NCAA indoor and outdoor track and field championships;*~~

~~*(c) NAIA/NCCAA Championships. Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) or the National Christian Collegiate Athletic Association (NCCAA) indoor and outdoor track and field championships;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship meet among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in indoor and outdoor track and field each year with a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(f) Fundraising Activity. Any indoor or outdoor track and field activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with and against alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and*~~

~~*(g) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in indoor and outdoor track and field each year against an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.23.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in indoor or outdoor track and field on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.23.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four dates of competition on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.24.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.23.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.23.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in indoor or outdoor track and field who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.23.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.23.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.23.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from that institution's indoor/outdoor track and field team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.23.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.23.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing track and field equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of the traditional or nontraditional segment as specified in Bylaw 17.23.2.*~~

~~*17.23.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a traditional or nontraditional segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.23.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.23.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.23.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its indoor or outdoor track and field team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

V. Bylaws: Amend 17.25, as follows:

17.24 VOLLEYBALL

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

17.24.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in volleyball shall be limited to:*~~

(a) Men**.** ~~*-- A maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segment combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3 for spring NCAA championship sports.)**

(b) Women**.** ~~*-- A maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1 for fall NCAA championship sports.)**

17.24.2 Preseason Practice ~~*-- Women. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women's volleyball before the following dates*~~:

(a) ~~*Traditional Segment. The date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.*~~ **Men. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

(b) ~~*Nontraditional Segment. February 1.*~~ **Women. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

17.24.3 First Date of Competition ~~– *Women. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in women's volleyball before the following dates*~~:

(a) ~~*Traditional Segment. September 1 or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, except that an unlimited number of exhibition scrimmages may be conducted on one date during the preseason practice period (see Bylaw 17.25.2), which shall count as one date of competition in the institution's maximum limitation on contests or dates of competition.*~~ **Men. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)**

(b) ~~*Nontraditional Segment. February 1.*~~ **Women. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)**

> ~~*17.24.3.1 Exception. An institution may conduct an exempted alumni game (see Bylaw 17.25.10.2) before the specified first date of competition, provided the match occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.24.4 ~~*Preseason Practice – Men. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in men's volleyball in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **End of Regular Playing Season:**

(a) Men. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)

(b) Women. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)

17.24.5 ~~*First*~~ **Number of** Date**s** of Competition – Men **and Women**. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in men's volleyball in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.10.2)**

> **17.24.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's volleyball playing season to a maximum of 22 dates of competition during the traditional segment and one during the nontraditional segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.24.5.3. For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**
>
> **17.24.5.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete – Men and Women. A student-athlete may participate each academic year in a maximum of 22 dates of competition during the traditional segment and one during the nontraditional segment in volleyball. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.4 and 17.02.8.**
>
> **17.24.5.3 Exemptions. (See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

17.24.6 ~~*End of Regular Playing Season -- Men. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in volleyball by the following dates:*~~ **Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. (See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the National Collegiate Men's Volleyball Championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).*~~

~~*17.24.7 End of Regular Playing Season -- Women. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in volleyball by the following dates:*~~

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Volleyball Championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9-(d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

~~*17.24.8 Number and Dates of Competition -- Women.*~~

~~*17.24.8.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's women's volleyball playing season to a maximum of 22 dates of competition during the traditional segment and one during the nontraditional segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.24.10.*~~

~~*17.24.8.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in women's volleyball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.*~~

~~*17.24.8.2 Maximum Limitations -- Student-Athlete -- Women. A student-athlete may participate each academic year in a maximum of 22 dates of competition during the traditional segment and one during the nontraditional segment in women's volleyball. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.4 and 17.02.8.*~~

~~*17.24.9 Number of Dates of Competition -- Men.*~~

~~*17.24.9.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's men's volleyball playing season to a maximum of 28 dates of competition during the segment in which the*~~

~~*NCAA championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.24.10.1.*~~

~~*17.24.9.1.1 In-Season Foreign Competition. A member institution may play one or more of its countable dates of competition in men's volleyball in one or more foreign countries on one trip during the prescribed playing season. However, except for those contests played in Canada and Mexico or on a certified foreign tour (see Bylaw 17.29), the institution may not engage in such in-season foreign competition more than once every four years.*~~

~~*17.24.9.2 Maximum Limitations — Student-Athlete — Men. An individual student-athlete may participate each academic year in a maximum of 28 dates of competition in men's volleyball during the segment in which the NCAA championship is conducted and not more than four dates of competition during another segment. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.4 and 17.02.8.*~~

~~*17.24.10 Annual Exemptions.*~~

~~*17.24.10.1 Traditional Segment for Women and Any Segment for Men. The maximum number of volleyball dates of competition in the traditional segment for women and any segment for men shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in volleyball (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA volleyball championship);*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference volleyball championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA volleyball championship without the date(s) of competition being counted as a postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) Season-Ending Tournament. Competition in one season-ending volleyball tournament (e.g., Molten Championship, NCAA championship, NAIA championship, National Invitational Volleyball Championship, Eastern College Athletic Conference tournament and NCCAA championship). A season-ending tournament involves competition after the end of the regular season between teams that are not identified until the close of that regular season;*~~

~~*(d) Independent Championships. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in volleyball each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(f) Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico -- Men. Any dates of competition in volleyball in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by an active member located outside the area in question; and*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any volleyball activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.24.10.2 Alumni Game. The maximum number of volleyball dates of competition shall exclude one date of competition each year with an alumni team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.24.11 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption -- Foreign Tour -- Men and Women. The dates of competition in volleyball on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.24.12 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption -- Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico -- Women. A maximum of four dates of competition on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

~~*17.24.13 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~

~~*17.24.13.1 Summer Practice. Volleyball practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.24.14 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in volleyball who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.24.15 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.24.15.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.24.15.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-*~~

athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's volleyball team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.

17.24.15.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.

17.24.15.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing volleyball equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaw 17.24.2.

17.24.15.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.

17.24.16 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.24.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.24.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its women's volleyball team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.

W. Bylaws: Amend 17.26, as follows:

17.25 WATER POLO

Regulations for computing the men's and women's water polo playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1)

17.25.1 Length of Playing Season. *The length of an institution's playing season in water polo shall be limited to:*

(a) Men*—A maximum of 18 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined)*. **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1 for fall NCAA championship sports.)**

(b) Women*—A maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined)*. **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3 for spring NCAA championship sports.)**

17.25.2 Preseason Practice*—Men. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in men's water polo before the date that permits a maximum of 21 permissible units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11.2.5) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition*.

(a) Men. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in men's water polo before the date that permits a maximum of 21 permissible units in the preseason practice formula (see Bylaw 17.02.11.2.5) before the first scheduled intercollegiate competition.

(b) Women. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)

17.25.3 ~~*Preseason Practice -- Women. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women's water polo in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~ **First Date of Competition:**

(a) Men. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in men's water polo before the first Saturday in September.

(b) Women. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)

17.25.4 ~~*First Contest and Date of Competition -- Men. A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in men's water polo before the first Saturday in September.*~~ **End of Regular Playing Season:**

(a) Men. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.1.1)

(b) Women. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)

> ~~*17.25.4.1 Exception. An institution may play an exempted alumni game [see Bylaw 17.26.8.3 (f)] before the specified first date of competition, provided the game occurs during the declared playing season.*~~

17.25.5 ~~*First*~~ **Number of** Date**s** of Competition ~~*-- Women. In women's water polo, a member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (game or scrimmage) against outside competition in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier (see Bylaw 17.1.10.2).*~~

> **17.25.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's water polo playing season to 21 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.26.5.3. For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**
>
> **17.25.5.2 Maximum Limitations – Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 21 dates of competition in water polo. This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution.**
>
> **17.25.5.3 Exemptions. (See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**
>
> > **17.25.5.3.1 Sport-Specific Exemptions. The maximum number of men's and women's water polo competitions shall exclude one date of competition**

against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for water polo.

17.25.6 **Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. (See Bylaw 17.1.5)** ~~*End of Regular Playing Season -- Men. A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) in men's water polo not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period.*~~

~~*17.25.7 End of Regular Playing Season -- Women. In women's water polo, a member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (games and scrimmages) by the following dates:*~~

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment. All practice and competition conducted in the nontraditional segment shall be completed not later than five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final regular fall examination period (e.g., fall semester, fall quarter).*~~

~~*17.25.8 Number and Dates of Competition.*~~

~~*17.25.8.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the institution's water polo playing season to 21 dates of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaws 17.25.8.3 and 17.25.8.4.*~~

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

~~*17.25.8.2 Maximum Limitations -- Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in not more than 21 dates of competition in water polo. This limitation includes those contests in which the student represents the institution in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.8, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution.*~~

~~*17.25.8.3 Annual Exemptions. The maximum number of dates of competition in water polo shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1)*~~

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in water polo (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entry in the National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship or the tournament used to determine entry into the National Women's Collegiate Water Polo Championship or the National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship);*~~

~~*(b) Conference Playoff. Competition involving member institutions that tie for a conference water polo championship. Such teams may participate in a single-elimination*~~

~~*playoff to determine the conference's automatic entry in the NCAA Water Polo Championship without the game(s) being counted as a postseason tournament;*~~

~~*(c) NCAA Championship -- Men. Competition in the National Collegiate Men's Water Polo Championship;*~~

~~*(d) NCAA Championship -- Women. Competition in the National Collegiate Women's Water Polo Championship;*~~

~~*(e) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(f) Alumni Game. One date of competition in water polo each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(g) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in water polo each year against a foreign opponent in the United States;*~~

~~*(h) Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. Any dates of competition in water polo in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, respectively, against an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, by a member located outside the area in question;*~~

~~*(i) Fundraising Activity. Any water polo activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation; and*~~

~~*(j) U.S. National Team. One date of competition against the U.S. national team as selected by the appropriate national governing body for water polo.*~~

~~*17.25.8.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption -- Men and Women -- Foreign Tour. The contests played on a foreign tour, provided the tour is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29. In men's water polo, an institution may not use this exemption in the same year that it uses an exemption set forth in Bylaw 17.25.8.3(h).*~~

~~*17.25.9 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1)*~~

~~*17.25.9.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.25.10 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in water polo who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.25.11 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.25.11.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.25.11.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) during the academic year (including vacation periods during the academic year) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's water polo team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.25.11.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.25.11.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing water polo equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of a segment as specified in Bylaws 17.25.2 and 17.25.3.*~~

~~*17.25.11.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.25.12 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of the playing season (see Bylaw 17.25.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaws 17.25.2 and 17.25.3) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its water polo team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

X. Bylaws: Amend 17.27, as follows:

17.26 WRESTLING

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

17.26.1 Length of Playing Season. ~~*The length of an institution's playing season in wrestling shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks (traditional and nontraditional segments combined).*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)**

17.26.2 Preseason Practice. ~~*A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in wrestling in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.26.3 First Date of Competition. ~~*A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (match or scrimmage) against outside competition in wrestling in either the traditional or nontraditional segment before September 7 or the institution's first day of classes for the fall term, whichever is earlier.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

17.26.4 End of Regular Playing Season. ~~*A member institution shall conclude all practice and competition (meets and practice meets) in wrestling by the following dates:*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)**

~~*(a) Traditional Segment. The conclusion of the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships.*~~

~~*(b) Nontraditional Segment.*~~

~~*(1) Fall. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examination period.*~~

~~*(2) Spring. Five weekdays before the first day of the institution's final examinations for the regular academic year. If an institution's academic year concludes with a non-regular academic term (e.g., May term), then all practice and competition shall be completed not later than the first day of final examinations for that non-regular term. See Bylaw 17.1.9 (d) and (e) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.*~~

17.26.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.26.5.1 Maximum Limitations – Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the permissible wrestling playing season to a maximum of 16 dates of competition, which may include not more than two two-day meets that shall each count as a single date of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw~~s~~ 17.26.5.3~~, 17.26.5.4 and 17.26.5.5~~ (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.5 for minimum contests and participants requirements). **For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.**

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

[17.26.5.2 unchanged.]

17.26.5.3 ~~*Annual*~~ Exemptions. ~~*The maximum number of dates of competition in wrestling shall exclude the following (see Figure 17-1):*~~ **(See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)**

~~*(a) Conference Championship. Competition in one conference championship tournament in wrestling (or the tournament used to determine the conference's automatic entries in the NCAA wrestling championships);*~~

~~*(b) NCAA Championship. Competition in the NCAA wrestling championships;*~~

~~*(c) NAIA/NCCAA Championship. Competition in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) or National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) wrestling championships;*~~

~~*(d) Independents Championship. Competition in one championship tournament among independent member institutions (i.e., institutions that are not members of an intercollegiate athletics conference in the specific sport), conducted at the end of the regular season and before the NCAA championship;*~~

~~*(e) Alumni Meet. One date of competition in wrestling each year with an alumni team of the institution;*~~

~~*(f) Foreign Team in U.S. One date of competition in wrestling each year against a foreign opponent in the United States; and*~~

~~*(g) Fundraising Activity. Any wrestling activities in which student-athletes from more than one of the institution's athletics teams participate with alumni and friends of the institution or with local celebrities, the purpose of which is to raise funds for the benefit of the institution or other charitable, educational or nonprofit organizations, provided the student-athletes do not miss classes as a result of their participation.*~~

~~*17.26.5.4 Once-in-Three-Years Exemption—Foreign Tour. The dates of competition in wrestling on a foreign tour, provided the tour occurs only once in a three-year period and is conducted by the member institution in accordance with the procedures set forth in Bylaw 17.29.*~~

~~*17.26.5.5 Once-in-Four-Years Exemption—Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico. A maximum of four dates of competition on a regular-season trip or a tournament (not to exceed four dates of competition), either against or under the sponsorship of an active member institution located in Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico, scheduled not more than once every four years by a member institution located outside of Hawaii, Alaska or Puerto Rico. This limitation shall not apply to a regular-season conference contest between two members of the same NCAA member conference.*~~

17.26.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. ~~*Student-athletes and members of the coaching staff shall not engage in athletically related activities outside the institution's declared playing season per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.*~~ **(See Bylaw 17.1.5)**

~~*17.26.6.1 Summer Practice. Practice that is organized or financially supported by a member institution shall be prohibited during the summer unless specifically authorized in the bylaws (e.g., foreign tour) or through official interpretations approved by the Management Council.*~~

~~*17.26.7 Camps and Clinics. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes in wrestling who may be employed (e.g., as counselors) in camps or clinics (see Bylaw 13.12). Currently enrolled student-athletes may not participate as campers in their institution's camps or clinics.*~~

~~*17.26.8 Other Restrictions.*~~

~~*17.26.8.1 Noncollegiate, Amateur Competition. (See Bylaw 14.7 for restrictions on outside competition.)*~~

~~*17.26.8.1.1 Involvement of Coaching Staff Member. No member of the coaching staff of a member institution may be involved in any capacity (e.g., coach, official, player or league/team administrator) at any time (i.e., during the academic year, vacation periods and summer) with an outside team that involves any student-athlete with eligibility remaining from the institution's wrestling team except as provided under Bylaws 14.7.3 and 17.29.*~~

~~*17.26.8.1.2 Olympic and National Team Development Program. There are no limits on the number of student-athletes from the same institution who may participate in Olympic and national team development programs. Such programs may also include a coach and student-athlete from the same institution, provided the program is conducted and administered by the national governing body. The national governing body shall be responsible for selecting the coaches who will be involved in coaching activities for the program. The national governing body or the selected coaches shall select the participants of the program.*~~

~~*17.26.8.2 Equipment Issue, Team Pictures. It shall be permissible to designate a single date for issuing wrestling equipment and for taking team pictures after the beginning of classes in the fall term or the day before the beginning of the traditional or nontraditional segment as specified in Bylaw 17.27.2.*~~

~~*17.26.8.2.1 Exception for Sundays. If the day before the beginning of a traditional or nontraditional segment is a Sunday, the member institution may designate the preceding Saturday for issuing equipment and taking team pictures.*~~

~~*17.26.9 Waivers for Extraordinary Personnel Losses. The Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, may approve waivers to the length of playing season (see Bylaw 17.26.1) by modifying the start of preseason practice (see Bylaw 17.26.2) for an institution that has suffered extraordinary personnel losses to its wrestling team due to accident or illness of a disastrous nature.*~~

Additional Information: Reorganizing Bylaw 17 in this manner reduces redundancies and clarifies the legislative similarities and differences between sports. This format succinctly sets forth sport specific legislative differences while more clearly indicating those legislative

provisions that are universally applicable. While this is primarily a reorganization of the existing Article 17 there are a few substantive changes necessary to effectuate greater consistency between sports. Those changes include: (1) Making the contest exemption for a foreign team in the United States the same in basketball as it is in all the other sports. Currently, basketball has an additional requirement that the contest takes place in the institution's home arena, while no other sport includes that requirement. This change would eliminate the home arena requirement; (2) Allowing basketball to use the once in four year exemption for contests played in Hawaii, Alaska, and Puerto Rico; and (3) Eliminating the reference to nontraditional segment for winter sports and defining the playing season in more relevant and consistent terms for the winter sports.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

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Title: DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH DIVISION CRITERIA -- NONCOMPLIANCE AND THE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS -- AUTHORITY OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-12

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Membership

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To specify that the NCAA Division III Membership Committee shall review issues regarding membership requirements that are discovered during the enforcement process and may impose penalties for not satisfying membership requirements.

A. Bylaws: Amend 20.2.5, as follows:

20.2.5 Noncompliance and Waivers of Division Criteria

[20.2.5.1 through 20.2.5.2 unchanged.]

20.2.5.3 Noncompliance with Membership Requirements and the Enforcement Process -- Authority of the Membership Committee. The Membership Committee shall review issues regarding membership requirements (e.g., sports sponsorship,) that are discovered during the enforcement process and may impose penalties for noncompliance.

B. Bylaws: Amend 21.9.5.8, as follows:

21.9.5.8 Membership Committee.

[21.9.5.8.1 unchanged.]

21.9.5.8.2 Duties. The committee shall review issues related to Division III membership, including**:** ~~*issues and educational efforts affecting provisional, reclassifying and continuing members, monitoring and auditing of sports sponsorship requirements, and coordinating educational programs for the membership regarding NCAA legislation. Additionally, the committee may impose penalties for the failure of any member to meet conditions and obligations of membership, including sports sponsorship requirements.*~~

(a) Issues and educational efforts affecting provisional, reclassifying and continuing members;

(b) Monitoring and auditing of sports-sponsorship requirements;

(c) Coordinating educational programs for the membership regarding NCAA legislation; and

(d) Issues regarding membership requirements (e.g., sports sponsorship) that are discovered during the enforcement process. Additionally, the committee may impose penalties for the failure of any member to meet conditions and obligations of membership, including sports-sponsorship requirements and any issues discovered through the enforcement process.

Additional Information: During the enforcement process, it may be discovered that an active Division III institution is not meeting membership requirements (e.g., minimum sports sponsorship). Based on current legislation, the Division III Membership Committee has the authority to impose penalties if an institution does not meet one or more membership requirements. This recommendation will clarify that if it is discovered during the enforcement process that an institution is not meeting membership requirements, it shall be the Membership Committee that has jurisdiction to impose any penalties and the Membership Committee will notify the NCAA enforcement staff and the Division III Committee on Infractions of any action taken by the Membership Committee.

Budget Impact: None.

Review History:

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Title: ELIGIBILITY -- GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS -- FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT -- REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE OR COMPETITION -- EXCEPTION -- COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Convention Year: 2012

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Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Proposal Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To permit a student-athlete to practice and represent the certifying institution in intercollegiate athletics while he or she is enrolled in a cooperative educational work experience program (e.g., co-op, internship, practicum, student-teaching) offered by the institution that is a required part of the student's academic program, provided the student is considered to be enrolled in a full-time program of studies, regardless of the credit value of the program.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.8.1.6, as follows:

14.1.8.1.6 Exceptions.

[14.1.8.1.6.1 through 14.1.8.1.6.5 unchanged.]

<u>14.1.8.1.6.6 Required Cooperative Educational Work Experience Program – Practice or Competition. A student may represent the certifying institution in intercollegiate athletics while he or she is enrolled in a cooperative educational program (e.g., co-op, internship, practicum, student-teaching) offered by the institution that is a required part of the student's academic program, provided the student is considered to be enrolled in a full-time program of studies, regardless of the credit value of the program.</u>

B. Bylaws: Amend 14.1.8.1.7, as follows:

14.1.8.1.7 Waivers of the Full-Time Enrollment Requirement for Practice or Competition. Waivers may be granted for the following:

14.1.8.1.7.1 Nontraditional Academic Calendars or **<u>Nonrequired</u>** Cooperative Education Programs -- 12-Hour Requirement Only. The Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council to act for it, may waive the 12-hour requirement for a student-athlete **<u>enrolled</u>** in an institution that determines enrollment hours on a basis other than a traditional semester or quarter hours or that conducts a **<u>nonrequired</u>** cooperative educational **<u>work experience</u>** program if it is determined that at the time of competition the student-athlete is enrolled in a comparable minimum academic load.

[Remainder of 14.1.8.1.7 unchanged.]

Budget Impact: None.

Student-Athlete Impact: Reduces bureaucracy for student-athletes who participate in required programs.

Additional Information: This proposal incorporates current guidelines that have resulted in the approval of waivers related to such programs. The proposal decreases bureaucracy by allowing a student-athlete to practice or compete while he or she is enrolled in a cooperative educational work experience program that is a required part of the student's academic program. Nonrequired programs will continue to be reviewed through the existing waiver process.

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Title: RECRUITING -- UNOFFICIAL VISIT -- ENTERTAINMENT/TICKETS -- GENERAL RESTRICTIONS -- COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS FOR A PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S PARENTS, GUARDIAN(S), SPOUSE OR INDIVIDUAL OF A COMPARABLE RELATIONSHIP

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Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Proposal Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To permit an institution to provide additional complimentary admissions to a home athletics event to a prospective student-athlete's parents, guardian(s), spouse or individual of a comparable relationship accompanying the prospective student-athlete during an unofficial visit.

Bylaws: Amend 13.7.2.1, as follows:

13.7.2.1 General Regulations. During an unofficial visit, the institution may not pay any expenses or provide any entertainment except a maximum of three complimentary admissions to a home athletics event at any facility in which the institution's intercollegiate team practices or competes. **Additional complimentary admissions may be provided to a prospective student-athlete's parents, guardian(s), spouse or individual of a comparable relationship accompanying the prospective student-athlete on the visit.** Such complimentary admissions are for the exclusive use of the prospective student-athlete and those persons accompanying the prospective student-athlete on the visit and must be issued on an individual-game basis. Seating shall be provided in the general seating area of the facility used for conducting the event. Providing seating during the conduct of the event (including intermission) for the prospective student-athlete or the prospective student-athlete's parents, guardian(s), spouse or individual of a comparable relationship in the facility's press box, special seating box(es) or bench area is specifically prohibited.

Budget Impact: Increased cost of complimentary admissions provided to prospective student-athletes during unofficial visits.

Student-Athlete Impact: Additional flexibility for prospective student-athletes with nontraditional families.

Additional Information: This proposal permits an institution to provide additional complimentary admissions to a prospective student-athlete during an unofficial visit. Current legislation regarding complimentary admissions for official visits already provides flexibility for these situations; therefore, it is appropriate that the unofficial visit legislation be similar to accommodate prospective student-athletes and their families.

Review History:

April 11, 2011: Management Council - Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 12, item 1-(b).

TITLE: AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- PARTICIPATION AWARDS -- MAXIMUM VALUE OF AWARD -- INCREASE TO MAXIMUM VALUES

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-15

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Proposal Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Awards and Benefits

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To increase the limitation on the maximum value of the annual participation award for a senior by $100 and to increase the limitation on the maximum value for all other participation awards by $50, as specified.

Bylaws: Amend Figure 16-1, as follows:

FIGURE 16-1

Participation Awards

Type of Award	Maximum Value of Award	Number of Times Award May Be Received	Permissible Awarding Agencies	Maximum Number of Permissible Awarding Agencies
Annual Participation -- Underclassmen	$~~*175*~~ **225**	Once per year per sport	Institution	1
Annual Participation -- Senior	$~~*325*~~ **425**	Once per year per sport	Institution	1
Special Event Participation				
• Participation in postseason conference championship contest or tournament	$~~*325*~~ **375***	Once per event	• Institution • Management of event (may include conference office)	2
• Participation in postseason NCAA	Institution -- $~~*325*~~ **375**	Once per event	• Institution	2

championship contest or tournament	NCAA -- No limit		• NCAA	
• Participation in all-star game	$~~350~~ **400****	Once per event	• Institution • Management of event	2
• Participation in other established meets, tournaments and featured individual competition	$~~350~~ **400***	Once per event	• Institution • Management of event	2

* The combined value of all awards received for participation in this type of event from the institution and the management of the event may not exceed the maximum value in this figure.

** Each permissible awarding agency is subject to a separate limit per award.

Budget Impact: Potential increase commensurate with increase in award value limitations.

Student-Athlete Impact: Potential to receive awards traditionally provided to student-athletes.

Additional Information: The proposed award limits have not been adjusted for inflation since 2006 and due to inflation, particularly in the market rate for gold, it has become more difficult to provide the same or similar awards to student-athletes. The committee noted that while all institutions may not approach the dollar limit, the rate of inflation should not restrict those who wish to provide certain awards that may be traditional marks of recognition (e.g., rings). Furthermore, the committee noted the inequity among the divisions if Division III does not increase the limits in a similar manner.

Review History:

April 11, 2011: Management Council Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 12, item 1-(c).

Title: AMATEURISM -- PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT, BENEFITS OR SERVICES -- EXCEPTIONS -- DESIGNATION OF FUNDRAISING MONEY -- BEFORE INITIAL FULL-TIME COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: August 1, 2011.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-16

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Amateurism

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To permit the designation of funds raised through fundraisers for individuals before initial, full-time collegiate enrollment provided the amount raised does not exceed actual and necessary expenses for athletics participation.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.1, as follows:

12.1.1 Preferential Treatment, Benefits or Services. It is impermissible to receive preferential treatment, benefits or services because of the individual's athletics reputation or skill, or pay-back potential as a professional athlete, unless such treatment, benefits or services are specifically permitted under NCAA legislation. For violations of this bylaw in which the value of the benefit is $100 or less, the eligibility of the individual shall not be affected, conditioned on the individual repaying the value of the benefit to a charity of his or her choice. The individual, however, shall remain ineligible from the time the institution has knowledge of the receipt of the benefit until the individual repays the benefit. If the violation involves institutional responsibility, it remains an institutional violation per Constitution 2.8.1, and documentation of the individual's repayment shall be forwarded to the enforcement staff.

12.1.1.1 – Exceptions.

12.1.1.1.1 Designation of Fundraising Money -- Before Initial, Full-Time Enrollment. An outside amateur team or organization may designate specific funds to an individual through his or her participation in fundraising activities, provided all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) Designated funds do not exceed the individual's actual and necessary expenses (e.g., transportation, uniforms) for athletics participation [See Bylaw 12.1.3.1-(f)]; and

(b) Any funds that exceed an individual's actual and necessary expenses must be applied to the general team or organizational fund.

12.1.1.1.**2** ~~*Exception*~~ --Designation of Earned Fundraising Money **-- Student-Athletes**. An institution may designate specific funds earned by a student-athlete

through institutional fundraising activities provided all of the following conditions are satisfied:

(a) Designated funds do not exceed the student-athlete's actual and necessary expenses (e.g., transportation, uniforms);

(b) Any funds that exceed a student-athlete's actual and necessary expenses (e.g., transportation, uniforms) must be applied to the general team or institutional fund and cannot be designated for any specific student-athlete;

(c) All designated funds must be deposited with the institution to administer; and

(d) Any unearned funds must be deposited into the general team or institutional fund and cannot be designated for any student-athlete.

[12.1.1.1.1 renumbered as 12.1.1.1.2.1 unchanged.]

Additional Information: Given the nature of youth sports and the prevalence of fundraising activities at all levels of the youth sports structure, it is possible that numerous institutions have not been properly applying the legislation as it can be difficult to effectively collect information about what may have occurred prior to initial full time collegiate enrollment and consistently monitor. It is unfair to expect individuals and their families to have sufficient knowledge and education on the current rules in this area. Even if they were aware of the rules, they would be difficult to follow. Given the flexibility provided to enrolled student-athletes in institutional fundraisers with the adoption of Proposal No. 2011-4 at the 2011 Convention, it is appropriate to provide similar flexibility for individuals prior to initial full-time collegiate enrollment.

Budget Impact: Provides flexibility for individuals prior to collegiate enrollment to raise money to participate in athletics.

Review History:

April 11, 2011: Management Council - Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 12, item 1-(d).

Title: ELIGIBILITY -- FULL-TIME ENROLLMENT -- REQUIREMENT FOR PRACTICE -- WAIVER -- U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE/NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY -- FORMER STUDENT ATHLETE PRACTICING AT ANOTHER INSTITUTION -- INDIVIDUAL SPORTS AND WOMEN'S ROWING

Convention Year: 2012

Effective Date: Immediate.

Official Notice Number: NC-2012-17

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Proposal Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Eligibility

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: In individual sports and women's rowing, in a case in which the U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body in the sport has recommended the individual's participation, to permit a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining to participate in organized practice sessions at an institution other than the one he or she previously attended.

Bylaws: Amend 14.1.8.1.7.4, as follows:

14.1.8.1.7.4 U.S. Olympic Committee/National Governing Body -- Practice Only. A student with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled or who is enrolled in less than a minimum full-time program of studies, or a former student-athlete, may participate on a regular basis in organized practice sessions, provided the following conditions are met:

(a) The practice sessions take place ~~*only*~~ at the institution(s) the individual previously attended as an undergraduate, or currently attends or previously attended as a graduate student**, except that a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining may participate in practice sessions at an institution other than the one he or she previously attended**;

[14.1.8.1.7.4-(b) through 14.1.8.1.7.4-(d) unchanged.]

Budget Impact: None.

Student-Athlete Impact: Additional flexibility for former student-athletes who are training for elite-level competition.

Additional Information: Recent legislative changes in Divisions I and II permit a former student-athlete greater flexibility if he or she is training for elite-level competition in an area that is not close to the institution from which he or she graduated. This flexibility is reasonable and should be afforded to Division III student-athletes in the same manner as their Divisions I and II counterparts.

Review History:

April 11, 2011: Management Council Approved in Concept - Supplement No. 12, item 1-(e).

2012 Convention Legislation - Membership-Sponsored Proposals

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Rationale
2012-	NCAA MEMBERSHIP -- CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP -- ELIMINATING REGIONAL RULES SEMINAR ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT	Available for Cosponsorship	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Immediate	To eliminate the Regional Rules Seminar attendance requirement.	The requirement that an active member institution must be represented by at least one institutional staff member at the NCAA Regional Rules Seminar every three years is inappropriate and inconsistent given the varied tenets of the Division III Philosophy and therefore inappropriate as a condition of membership. The NCAA does not mandate attendance to any other Association sponsored or supported educational programming related to diversity, gender equity, or student-athlete well-being, all equally important components of the philosophy and therefore expectations of the membership to be educated and current. By mandating the membership to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar every three years, there is also undue financial burden on member institutions. Allowing member institutions to sponsor an educational program or send staff to any educational program, not necessarily facilitated by the NCAA that is linked to any component of the philosophy will expand opportunities, enhance participation beyond compliance staff and likely impact a larger population of the membership.
2012-	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- REQUIRED DAY OFF -- VOLUNTARY STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED DURING REQUIRED DAY OFF	Available for Cosponsorship	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Immediate	During the playing season, to prohibit voluntary activities conducted by certified strength and conditioning personnel during the mandatory day off; further, outside the playing season, to prohibit voluntary activities conducted by certified strength and conditioning personnel one calendar day per week.	The rule as currently written permits student-athletes to workout with a strength and conditioning coach during the academic year every day of the week. Although we characterize these workouts as voluntary, we are concerned that the student-athletes best interest is not being taken into consideration here. This proposal should have an immediate effective date because it seeks to protect the best interest of the student-athlete. Delaying the effective date until August 1, 2012, merely delays protecting the interest of our student-athletes. By adding the proposed language, we are guaranteeing that student-athletes receive at least one day off per week.

Date Printed: July 17, 2011

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Rationale
2012-	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- GENERAL PLAYING SEASON REGULATIONS -- POSTSEASON ACTIVITIES EXEMPTING ONE POSTSEASON CHAMPIONSHIP FROM THE DECLARED PLAYING SEASON	Available for Cosponsorship	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	August 1, 2012	In all sports, to exclude from the declared playing and practice season one postseason championship event; further, to exempt from maximum contest limitations at least one postseason championship event, as specified.	The NCAA has allowed institutions to exempt participation in at least one post-season tournament from being counted against their maximum contest limitations (e.g., NCAA, NCCAA, NAIA, and various national governing body championships.) Exceptions for a number of other tournaments have also been granted on a sport-by-sport basis. Participation in some season-ending tournaments is also exempt from counting in the playing-season limitations. Exceptions to the playing-season limitations became more important when the seasons were reduced to 18 or 19 weeks. Consequently, schools involved in non-NCAA/NAIA/NCCAA championships now have to save a week on the chance they MIGHT be selected to participate. If not selected, the week of participation is lost to those student-athletes. This proposal allows the two parts of Bylaw 17 to be synchronized, whereby one postseason contest is both exempted from maximum contest limitations and excluded from the 18 or 19 week playing-season limitation in all sports. It also applies the accommodation to all non-NCAA post-season championship events, not a select few. It recognizes the value of the post-season championship experience to student-athletes, and provides a fair and consistent application for all sports.
2012-	ELIGIBILITY -- HARDSHIP WAIVER -- PRACTICE AFTER INJURY	Available for Cosponsorship	Midwest Conference, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	August 1, 2012	In the traditional season, to prohibit student-athletes who have, according to a physician, sustained a season-ending injury from engaging with the team in any physical practice activities.	Continued student-athlete involvement with the team after injury is an important step in retention, rehabilitation and morale. While connection to the team in many areas is necessary, a student-athlete should not be permitted to physically participate in any part of team practice if they are not healthy enough to compete and wish to have an entire season of eligibility returned. While rehabilitation of the injury often involves sport-specific activities and practice-related drills, these should take place outside of the normal practice domain. The student-athlete's focus should be on improving health and strength, not improving skills or providing benefit and assistance to the team in practice. Allowing a student-athlete with a season-ending injury to return to practice, without competing, can be construed as a (unfortunate) form of red-shirting; a practice that was eliminated by Division III in 2004.

Proposal Number	Title	Status	Source	Effective Date	Intent	Rationale
2012-	RECRUITING -- PERMISSIBLE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS	Available for Cosponsorship	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Immediate	To regulate electronically transmitted correspondence between prospective student-athletes and college staff and coaches according to the same standard as telephone, email and fax correspondence.	The nature and use of electronic transmissions has evolved in dramatic fashion over the past three years since this rule was enacted. Services like Twitter, Facebook and email services like Gmail allow users to have emails (now allowed by the rule) delivered as text to their phone (currently not allowed). Additionally, prospective student-athletes commonly use Smartphone technology to monitor all forms of electronic communication - text, email, twitter and Facebook. Attempting to regulate portions of services that are now fused together is unnecessary, difficult at-best to monitor and tends to limit the amount of timely information available to the prospective student-athlete. The philosophy of Division III athletics is that student-athletes are treated no differently than non-athlete students. College admissions staff and faculty, among other groups, regularly use this technology to communicate with prospective students. Not permitting coaches from communicating with prospective student-athletes in this manner separates the (prospective) student-athlete from the (prospective) student. This proposed regulation also recognizes that allowed electronic transmission is best treated by the same standard as telephone and email communication.

Potential Amendments to the Division III Philosophy Statement

Concepts Endorsed by the NCAA Division III Presidents Council in April

- Emphasize that Division III athletics are primarily focused on the undergraduate educational experience in a four-year time frame.
- Clarify that initial and continuing eligibility standards are best left to institutional and conference autonomy.
- Express a commitment to supporting a student-athlete's right to meaningful participation in nonathletic pursuits as a method of enriching the overall educational experience.

Draft Proposal

DIVISION III PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

Colleges and universities in Division III place highest priority on the overall quality of the educational experience and on the successful completion of all students' academic programs. They seek to establish and maintain an environment in which a student-athlete's athletics activities are conducted as an integral part of the student-athlete's educational experience, and in which coaches play a significant role as educators. They also seek to establish and maintain an environment that values cultural diversity and gender equity among their student-athletes and athletics staff. *(Revised: 1/10/95, 1/9/06 effective 8/1/06)*

To achieve this end, Division III institutions:

(a) Expect that institutional presidents and chancellors have the ultimate responsibility and final authority for the conduct of the intercollegiate athletics program at the institutional, conference and national governance levels; *(Adopted: 1/16/10 effective 8/1/10)*

(b) Place special importance on the impact of athletics on the participants rather than on the spectators and place greater emphasis on the internal constituency (e.g., students, alumni, institutional personnel) than on the general public and its entertainment needs;

(c) Shall not award financial aid to any student on the basis of athletics leadership, ability, participation or performance; *(Revised: 7/24/07)*

(d) Primarily focus athletics on the undergraduate educational experience within a four-year period;

(~~*d*~~**e**) Encourage the development of sportsmanship and positive societal attitudes in all constituents, including student-athletes, coaches, administrative personnel and spectators;

(~~*e*~~**f**) Encourage participation by maximizing the number and variety of ~~*athletics opportunities*~~ **sport offerings** for their students **through broad-based athletics programs**;

(~~f~~**g**) Assure that the actions of coaches and administrators exhibit fairness, openness and honesty in their relationships with student-athletes;

(~~g~~**h**) Assure that athletics participants are not treated differently from other members of the student body;

(i) Assure that student-athletes are supported in their efforts to meaningfully participate in nonathletic pursuits to enhance their overall educational experience;

(~~h~~**j**) Assure that athletics programs support the institution's educational mission by financing, staffing and controlling the programs through the same general procedures as other departments of the institution. Further, the administration of an institution's athletics program (e.g., hiring, compensation, professional development, certification of coaches) should be integrated into the campus culture and educational mission; *(Revised: 1/9/06 effective 8/1/06)*

(~~i~~**k**) Assure that athletics recruitment complies with established institutional policies and procedures applicable to the admission process; *(Adopted: 1/12/04 effective 8/1/04)*

(l) Exercise autonomy in the establishment of initial and continuing eligibility standards for student-athletes, consistent with standards applicable to all students;

(~~j~~**m**) Assure that academic performance of student-athletes is, at a minimum, consistent with that of the general student body; *(Adopted: 1/9/06 effective 8/1/06)*

(~~k~~**n**) Assure that admission policies for student-athletes comply with policies and procedures applicable to the general student body; *(Adopted: 1/9/06 effective 8/1/06)*

(~~l~~**o**) Provide equitable athletics opportunities for males and females and give equal emphasis to men's and women's sports;

(~~m~~**p**) Support ethnic and gender diversity for all constituents; *(Adopted: 1/12/99)*

(~~n~~**q**) Give primary emphasis to regional in-season competition and conference championships; and

(~~o~~**r**) Support student-athletes in their efforts to reach high levels of athletics performance, which may include opportunities for participation in national championships, by providing all teams with adequate facilities, competent coaching and appropriate competitive opportunities.

The purpose of the NCAA is to assist its members in developing the basis for consistent, equitable competition while minimizing infringement on the freedom of individual institutions to determine their own special objectives and programs. The above statement articulates principles that represent a commitment to Division III membership and shall serve as a guide for the preparation of legislation by the division and for planning and implementation of programs by institutions and conferences.

CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED

MEMORANDUM

July 18, 2011

TO: NCAA Divisions II and III Management Councils.

FROM: Donald M. Remy, Vice President of Legal Affairs/General Counsel.

SUBJECT: Summary of Legal Activity.

The following is a summary of significant legal activity in which the NCAA is or has been involved since last reported in April 2011.

The NCAA is currently a defendant in 14[1] active cases. Four new cases were filed this quarter. One case was resolved favorably.

New Cases

Todd McNair, a former assistant football coach at the University of Southern California has sued the NCAA in a California state court, seeking unspecified damages for, among other things, libel, slander and misconduct, relating to the NCAA's infractions case against USC. The NCAA has not yet been served with this lawsuit.

The Estate of Bennie Abram, III, a former football student-athlete at the University of Mississippi, has filed a wrongful death lawsuit in Hinds County, Mississippi against the NCAA, et al. On February 19, 2010, Bennie Abram, III collapsed during an off-season workout and died allegedly from complications associated with sickle cell trait. Plaintiffs' claim against the NCAA alleges failure to prioritize training, education and monitoring of student-athletes with sickle cell trait. The NCAA has filed a motion for change of venue in this matter, seeking to transfer the case to Lafayette County, Mississippi. The motion is set for hearing on September 12, 2011.

Former University of North Carolina football student-athlete, Michael McAdoo, filed a lawsuit in Durham County, North Carolina, against the NCAA and the university after being declared permanently ineligible. McAdoo was ruled ineligible for receiving improper benefits and engaging in academic misconduct. McAdoo sought injunctive relief and monetary damages. A

[1] On January 15, 2010, the court issued an order consolidating all of the student-athlete right of publicity cases (*Keller, O'Bannon, Bishop, Anderson, Wimprine, Rhodes* and *Jacobson*). The consolidated cases bear the caption *In re NCAA Student-Athlete Name and Likeness Licensing Litigation*, so thereafter, they have been reported on as one matter.

hearing was held on plaintiff's petition for writ of mandamus and motion for preliminary injunction on July 13, 2011, and the Durham County Superior Court Judge denied McAdoo's request for injunctive relief.

Patricio Alvarado, a tennis student-athlete at the University of Southern Mississippi, filed a lawsuit in Forrest County, Mississippi, against the NCAA and the university after being declared permanently ineligible. Alvarado was ruled ineligible for engaging in academic misconduct and Bylaw 10.1 unethical conduct. Alvarado seeks injunctive relief and compensatory damages. The NCAA has not yet been served with this complaint.

Resolutions

On June 23, 2011, a hearing was held in the Northern District of California, on the motion to dismiss filed by the NCAA in the *Reginald Davis* class action lawsuit. On June 24, 2011, Judge William Alsup issued an order granting the NCAA's motion and dismissed all of the federal claims. In his order, the judge gave plaintiffs 28 days to seek leave to re-plead, but also noted the difficulties of pursuing that option. The plaintiffs in this lawsuit purport to represent "all present and future non-qualifier student-athletes who enrolled or will enroll full time in a two-year college after August 1, 2009, who seek to transfer from a two-year college to a four-year Division I public institution, and who are prevented from receiving financial aid from or practicing or competing at a Division I institution by Bylaw 14.5.4.2." In their complaint, the seven named plaintiffs claimed that the NCAA, and key employees of the University of California, Cal State and other four-year California schools violate the 14th Amendment by enforcing a bylaw that prevents junior college students from getting financial aid from a Division I four-year school, extends the amount of time they must spend as full-time students at a two-year college before they may receive financial aid, and prevents them from getting an education or playing at a Division I school. Plaintiff sought declaratory judgment invalidating NCAA Bylaw 14.5.4.2 and injunctive relief enforcing that declaration.

Recent Developments

On April 21, 2011, the Indiana Supreme Court issued an opinion in favor of the NCAA in the *George* ticket distribution lawsuit, finding that the NCAA's ticket distribution practice did not constitute an illegal lottery under Indiana law. This was in response to the first of three certified questions issued by the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals for consideration by the Indiana Supreme Court. On May 20, 2011, the plaintiffs in the George lawsuit filed a petition for rehearing with the Indiana Supreme Court. Plaintiffs have asked the court to re-hear the first certified question, reverse their ruling thereon and consider the remaining certified questions. Upon final ruling by the Indiana Supreme Court, the federal court of appeals will apply the Indiana court's interpretation to the pending motion.

On April 11, 2011, the judge in the *Michael Abraham* litigation denied Abraham's request for a preliminary injunction with respect to an NCAA-certified tournament scheduled for April 15-17. On April 27, 2011, a written order was issued documenting this decision and clarifying that it did not apply to the other injunctive relief sought by plaintiff relating to future tournaments. On June 3, 2011, the NCAA filed a motion to dismiss, seeking to extinguish all of Mr. Abraham's claims. The motion is scheduled for hearing on July 22, 2011. Plaintiff is the owner-operator of a for-profit youth basketball program in Portland, Oregon and, in his lawsuit, he is challenging the NCAA's refusal to certify him to coach at NCAA recruiting tournaments. Plaintiff was convicted of a federal drug charge in 1999. In January 2011, the NCAA's standard for certification of coaches was changed to exclude coaches convicted of any felony at any time in the past. Prior to this change, the NCAA barred coaches only if they had been convicted of violent felonies within the past 7 years. Plaintiff alleges that the NCAA's refusal to certify him as a coach constitutes intentional interference in the economic relations between Mr. Abraham and his customers/perspective customers. The suit also alleges that the NCAA's stance violates Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 because it fails to take into account the nature of the conviction and the time passed. Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief prohibiting the NCAA from refusing to certify him solely as a result of a prior conviction. He also seeks compensation for lost profits, loss of reputation, increased expenses to hire replacement coaches and attorney fees.

On May 5, 2011, a hearing was held on the NCAA's motion to dismiss the *Rodney Guillory* lawsuit, and the judge ruled from the bench in favor of the NCAA. The court's written order granting the NCAA's motion was issued on June 17, 2011. On July 12, 2011, the plaintiff filed a notice of appeal. In his complaint, plaintiff, an events promoter in Southern California, claims that he was defamed in the NCAA Public Infractions Report relating to the University of Southern California, which issued findings that an individual identified as "representative B" provided impermissible benefits to a student-athlete. Plaintiff claims that, although he is identified as "representative B" throughout the report, it is reasonably understood that the statements relate to Mr. Guillory.

On April 29, 2011, the NCAA filed a motion to dismiss the *Joseph Agnew* class-action lawsuit. A hearing on the NCAA's motion is scheduled for July 22, 2011, in the Southern District of Indiana. The parties are also engaging in discovery in this matter. Plaintiff, a former football student-athlete from Rice University, filed this class-action lawsuit alleging that the NCAA one-year limit on athletics scholarships amounts to a price-fixing scheme between the NCAA and member universities. The lawsuit also argues that the NCAA is violating antitrust rules by limiting the number of scholarships that each team can award.

Discovery is continuing in the *NCAA Student-Athlete Name and Likeness Litigation*. The parties are working to schedule the depositions of the plaintiffs and various NCAA staff members.

On June 23, 2011, the court in the *Cottrell* litigation issued an amended scheduling order, vacating the August 2011 trial date. This case is now set for trial commencing on February 13,

2012. The plaintiff, Ronald W. Cottrell, is a former University of Alabama assistant football coach and recruiting coordinator. He filed this lawsuit against the NCAA and individual staff members in Alabama state court regarding an agreement to end a previous agreement for the NCAA to pay a whistleblower's legal fees. Cottrell previously unsuccessfully sued the NCAA and the whistle-blower, Tom Culpepper, in December 2002, for defamation regarding comments made in the course of an infractions matter. In the current lawsuit, Cottrell claims that there was a conspiracy to conceal the termination of the agreement in order to defraud creditors and frustrate any effort Cottrell might make to collect any judgment that might be awarded in a new lawsuit against Culpepper.

The *Aloha Sports* matter regarding the NCAA's decision not to recertify the Aloha Bowl in 2002, and decertify the Seattle Bowl in 2003, is set to go to trial commencing September 12, 2001, in Honolulu.

DMR:lev

cc: Selected NCAA Staff Members.

NCAA Government Relations Report

(July 2011)

1. Congressional Overview.

As Congress works through the early summer months, its agenda continues to be dominated by an ongoing debate regarding government spending, and a stand-off over raising the nation's $14.3-trillion debt limit. In early May, Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner announced that the nation would hit its borrowing limit on August 2, and put the country at risk of not being able to pay its debts. In response, negotiators have self-imposed a deadline of July 1 to finish a deal that trims the budget deficit and raises the debt ceiling to avoid a default. If a deal is reached prior to Independence Day, it would provide adequate time for Congress to act on legislation before the August 2 deadline.

In the midst of a difficult economic recovery, ongoing wars and other situations abroad, the 2012 Presidential campaign has begun to move forward. President Barack Obama launched his 2012 reelection campaign in early April with an online video titled "It Begins with Us". A number of Republican challengers have officially launched their campaigns as well. The first major debate of the 2012 Republican presidential race occurred in New Hampshire on June 13, 2011. Participants included former Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty, former House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-GA), Representative Michele Bachmann (R-MN), Representative. Ron Paul (R-TX), Businessman Herman Cain, former Senator Rick Santorum (R-PA), and former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney.

Due to a packed agenda, Congress has not focused a great deal on matters related to the amateur or professional sports communities. Without interjecting themselves, members of Congress have watched the labor negotiations of the professional sports leagues closely. Also, there has been a continued interest and push for improved safety standards for athletes at all levels of play.

2. Federal Issues.

a. Football Helmet Safety.

Mild traumatic brain injuries suffered by athletes and the effectiveness of equipment being worn to prevent these types of injuries, continues to be of interest to members of Congress. On March 16, 2011, the Children's Sports Athletic Equipment Safety Act was introduced in the House and Senate by Representative Bill Pascrell (D-NJ) and Senator Tom Udall (D-NM) respectively. Upon passage, S. 601 and H.R. 1127 would give industry groups nine months to improve the voluntary football helmet safety standards for youth athletes. After that nine month period, the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) would be given the responsibility of determining if the voluntary industry standards for new and used football helmets are adequate. If

the standards are deemed inadequate, CPSC would initiate a process to establish mandatory standards for football helmets worn by high school and younger athletes. The bills would also allow the FTC to levy civil penalties against companies that use false claims to sell sporting equipment.

To date, S. 601 and H.R. 1127 have not received significant legislative attention. However, two key Democratic members of the House Energy and Commerce committee have called for a hearing to explore ways to reduce concussions and other head injuries to football players at all levels of play and examine the voluntary helmet safety standards established by the National Operating Committee on Standards for Athletic Equipment (NOCSAE). In March, Representative G.K. Butterfield (D-NC), ranking member of the Commerce, Trade and Manufacturing Subcommittee and Representative Henry Waxman (D-CA), ranking member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee sent a letter requesting this hearing to Representative Mary Bono Mack (R-CA), chair of the Commerce, Trade and Manufacturing Subcommittee and Representative Fred Upton (R-MI), chair of the Energy and Commerce Committee. A public response to this letter has not been made available.

The NCAA government relations staff continues to work with congressional staff and share relevant information and updates on the Association's efforts to address concerns with mild traumatic brain injuries suffered by athletes on all levels of play. Additionally, the NCAA has continued to work with industry leaders to encourage transparency in their activities and pushed for the best football helmet safety standards that are scientifically possible.

b. Native American Images.

On May 5, 2011, the U.S. Senate Indian Affairs Committee held an oversight hearing titled "Stolen Identities: The Impact of Racist Stereotypes on Indigenous People." The hearing focused on the negative impact that Native American mascots and other imagery have on native and non-native people alike. Witnesses included The Honorable Tex Hall, chairman, Mandan, Hidats and Arika Nation; Suzan Shown Harjo, president, the Morning Star Institute; Charlene Teters, professor, Studio Arts, Institute of American Indian Arts; Stephanie Fryberg, associate professor of Psychology, University of Arizona; Chaske Spencer, actor/producer/partner, Urban Dream Productions; and Jim Warne, president, Warrior Society Development.

The NCAA policy which banned member institutions from displaying hostile and abusive racial/ethnic/national origin mascots, nicknames or imagery at NCAA sponsored championship events, was highlighted at numerous points during the hearing. Several witnesses credited the 2005 policy for helping to remove these negative images from the collegiate environment and in return creating a more safe and inclusive setting for native and non-native students. The NCAA government relations staff will continue to monitor the issue and provide information on the NCAA policy.

3. <u>State Issues</u>.

a. Lystedt Law.

As an extension of its concerns with the health and safety of collegiate athletes, the NCAA has worked to identify ways to properly address mild traumatic brain injuries suffered by youth athletes and has taken a leadership role in this endeavor. As a part of this overall effort, the NCAA and NFL released a joint press release on June 7, 2011, announcing a collaborative effort to seek adoption of the Lystedt law throughout the country.

The Lystedt law, which was initially passed in the state of Washington in 2009, requires athletes, parents, and coaches to be educated about the dangers associated with concussions; any student-athlete who is suspected of having a concussion must be removed from play; and the athlete will not be allowed to return to play until he/she is cleared by a licensed physician. By working in a collaborative manner, there is a hope that the NFL and NCAA can bring greater visibility to the issue and encourage state legislatures to consider and pass the law.

The NCAA government relations staff continues to work with the Council of State Governments and other national state organizations to help educate them on the related issues. To date the Lystedt Act has become law in nearly twenty-five states; in three of those states, the bills are awaiting final signature by their respective Governors' for final consideration. As the majority of state legislatures near their respective adjournment dates, we will continue to work to educate legislators as we seek additional passages in the coming year.

b. Student Athlete Right to Know Act.

Following a near unanimous passage by the Connecticut legislature, the Student Athletes' Right to Know Act was sent to Governor Dan Malloy for his signature on June 7, 2011. The Act mandates that beginning on January 1, 2012, the state's institutions of higher education that offer athletic scholarships will be required to post on their websites specific information regarding athletic scholarships, NCAA and institutional policies regarding scholarship renewal, NCAA and institutional policies regarding athletically related medical expenses, and NCAA and institutional policies on granting a student-athlete with an athletic release. The law closely resembles a measure that was signed into law in California in September 2010.

c. Uniform Athlete Agents Act.

The Uniform Athlete Agents Act (UAAA) is a state model act designed to protect student-athletes and membership institutions from the unscrupulous conduct of some athlete agents. The act establishes uniform athlete agent registration procedures and places limitations on the type of conduct that an athlete agent may engage in when dealing with a student-athlete. In addition, the act imposes criminal, civil and/or administrative penalties against unscrupulous agents.

To date, the UAAA has been passed in 40 states, Washington D.C. and the U.S. Virgin Islands. However, due to growing concerns about the detrimental impact of athlete agents on student-athletes and membership institutions, a number of state legislatures have considered bills to amend the UAAA. Most of these new measures have sought to increase the criminal and civil penalties for violating the law, alter the definition of athlete agent to broaden the scope of individuals who must adhere to the law, and add a provision requiring that notice be given to a membership institution before an athlete agent may have contact with a student-athlete. With many state legislatures nearing adjournment, it is unclear how many of the bills amending the UAAA will be passed this year.

NCAA staff will continue to work with the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws to provide feedback on the various proposed changes to the UAAA. The NCAA will also work in a collaborative effort to identify states of priority where we will work to seek the introduction and passage of the UAAA next year.

d. Higher Education Associations.

NCAA government relations staff continues to build strong relationships with various higher education associations. The American Council on Education (ACE), the Association of American Universities (AAU), the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU), and the National Association of Colleges and University Business Officers (NACUBO) among others, continue to provide guidance and support on issues of common interest. The NCAA government relations staff looks forward to continuing these mutually beneficial relationships to better formulate and further the NCAA's legislative goals.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION STUDENT-ATHLETE AFFAIRS ADVISORY GROUP JUNE 28-30, 2011, MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

None.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **NCAA Education and Training Symposium**. The group discussed the current format of the Education and Training Symposium and its future structure. It recommended that two symposiums continue to be conducted.

2. **NCAA Student-Athlete Affairs (SAA) Grant.** The group recommended reviewing the selection process for the SAA grant, with consideration given for first time recipients. Additionally, the group requested that the grant application open May 1 annually and that notification of selection for the grant occur earlier.

3. **NCAA and SAA website.** Review of and discussion about the NCAA and SAA website occurred. As a result of the discussion, the group recommended proposed changes that it felt would benefit the user.

4. **April 21, 2011 teleconference report**. The group approved the minutes as amended.

5. **Review of 2011 NCAA Education and Training Symposium.** The group was updated on the 2011 NCAA Education and Training Symposium that took place in Indianapolis in June. It was noted that the June symposium incorporated suggestions made through evaluations from the February symposium. The group discussed the format and recommended that two symposiums continue to be held, noting that communication to educate and inform the membership will be needed. Additionally, the group talked about the possibility of conducting a symposium in conjunction with another event (e.g. Convention, NACDA).

6. **Future collaborative partnerships.** The group discussed the opportunities that exist for the SAA department to partner with organizations and associations in the future to work collaboratively for the benefit of student-athletes, athletics professionals and coaches. Suggestions for potential partnerships were shared and ideas to help in the identification and development of such relationships were provided.

7. National Student-Athlete Advisory Committees (SAAC) update. The NCAA student-athlete affairs staff provided divisional national SAAC updates focusing on the main areas being addressed by each committee.

a. Division I. The staff noted that, at its July meeting, the Division I national SAAC will be discussing text messaging in the recruiting process and the ability for coaches to begin using this medium. Additionally, the Division I SAAC is exploring the possibility of establishing a division wide community service partnership, and it has been and will continue to work on enhancing the student-athlete voice at the national, conference and campus levels.

b. Division II. The staff discussed its Make-A-Wish Foundation fundraiser and the development of a national Make-A-Wish Day. Division II is also obtaining division-specific information to review from the GOALS and SCORES survey, with a focus in the areas of sportsmanship, leadership and ethics. Another topic of interest in Division II is student-athlete mental health and drug education.

c. Division III. The staff discussed the Division III identity platform and the launch of the Special Olympics partnership at the 2011 NCAA Convention. It was noted that Special Olympics clinics were held at select Division III spring championships, as well as at the NCAA men's and women's Final Four and the men's and women's College World series. Additionally, Division III has been discussing drug testing and education for student-athletes, as well as the inconsistent roles of athletic trainers and strength and conditioning coaches and how that affects student-athlete welfare and experience.

8. NCAA SAA Update. The group received updates from SAA staff members.

a. Vice President's report. Staff provided background on the NCAA Division I Supplemental Support Fund and noted that funding for the fund has been approved for the next two years. Additionally, the values of the department were communicated to the group and the positive changes that have occurred were reinforced. It was noted that a new national office initiative is underway, One Team, One Future, that would help to direct staff in its future actions.

b. Leadership development. Staff noted the current partnerships that exist and those that the unit is looking to develop and how they would do that. The group was also updated on the transition and changes that have been occurring in the department, recognizing that the goal is to operate more efficiently and effectively. Programs going forward will be conducted in a team format, with a primary administrator being

identified and a general timeline established to provide consistency in how they are being run. The structures of all of the programs are being reviewed, with participant categories, goals, objectives and learning outcomes being defined for each.

c. **Health and safety.** Staff informed the group of the role of the health and safety unit, noting that a key function of the unit is to facilitate partnerships with outside groups. It was shared that the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport proposed legislation related to sickle cell testing, and newly adopted legislation related to health and safety was reviewed with the group. Additionally, an update on no notification drug testing was provided and communication methods for health and safety updates and notifications to the membership were discussed. Lastly, staff reviewed causes of sudden death for student-athletes noting, that sudden cardiac death has been a leading cause in recent years.

d. **Educational programs.** Staff provided an update on the recent activities of the educational programs unit, focusing on a business performance review that was conducted. Staff highlighted the impact the student-athlete affairs department had on the membership in 2010-11 and reviewed the process used for the business review.

The process included engaging staff, establishing a baseline, identifying needs, setting goals and program revision. All pieces are part of a dynamic process to ensure that the department is meeting its overall goals. Additionally, staff discussed the short term plan, which includes development of a program catalog that will be used to help reduce redundancies and maximize resources. The long term vision was also communicated, noting that the opportunity for the department to grow and broaden the impact to the membership exists.

e. **Program of Excellence.** Staff noted that conversations related to the Program of Excellence had taken place and will continue in the future; however, at this time, no decisions related to structure or implementation of the program have been made. Additionally, it was noted that the Division IA Athletic Directors Association would be implementing a program comparable to the Program of Excellence again.

f. **Student-Athlete Leadership Forum.** Staff informed the group that the student-athlete leadership forum will be held in Chicago for the Mid West region November 3-6, 2011. There are 66 Division I, 50 Division II and 81 Division III institutions eligible to participate and the registration deadline is October 3.

g. **National and Regional Career in Sports Forums.** Staff reviewed the agenda and structure of the regional and national career in sports forum. It was noted that there were 1100 nominations for national career in sports forum in 2011, with 900 completed applications. The career in sports forum worked with the health and safety staff and partnered with the American Red Cross for programming at the 2011 national forum. Staff shared that it is looking to partner with other associations (e.g. NASPA) and institutions for the regional forums in the future. It was also noted that, in the next year, additional tracks will be added, including sports and entertainment and sports law.

h. **Student-Athlete Affairs Grant.** The group was provided with a breakdown of the grant funding that has been allocated by division. Staff noted that the grant provides up to $2,000 for programming per institution and that 182 grants have been funded. The group recommended reviewing the selection process, with consideration given for first-time recipients. Additionally, moving forward the group requested that the grant application open May 1 and that notification of selection for the grant occur earlier.

i. **Campus and Conference Programming.** Staff updated the group on the campus and conference programming that is available to the membership.

j. **Website.** Staff provided an update on the changes that will occur with the student-athlete affairs website to help streamline processes and increase efficiencies for the membership and staff. The timeline for completion of the plan is projected to be for the 2012-13 academic year. The group approved a recommendation of suggested changes it would like to see implemented on the NCAA and the student-athlete affairs department website in the future.

k. **Needs Assessment.** The needs assessment was piloted as an on-line tool for the membership to use as a resource in 2010-11. The assessment will be available twice a year, in October and in April. The results were provided back to the membership within a month. It was noted that the system only allows an institution to have access to the results from the most recent assessment that was completed.

9. **Nominations subgroup update.** An update was provided on behalf of the nominations subgroup, noting that over 50 individuals submitted applications for three open positions. Additionally, a fourth individual was selected after a current member stepped down from the group. Staff discussed the composition of the committee and that the nomination subgroup was mindful of the representation of division, position, gender and ethnicity in its selection.

10. **Subgroup designations**. The group reviewed the roles of the four newly defined subgroups and identified a subgroup of interest to serve on. Each subgroup discussed its responsibilities, priorities and next steps.

11. **Divisional breakouts.**

a. **Division I issues**. The group discussed the value of a scholarship, compared to that of the cost of attendance. Additionally, the topic of major selection was a focus of the conversation, as well as the practice of placing student-athletes in majors that do not prepare them for life after sport.

b. **Division II issues.** The group discussed the championship festivals that are conducted in Division II and attaching a program (e.g. career in sports) to the festival. Additionally, the Division II group discussed drug usage and education, as well as coach education on nutrition. Lastly, the life in the balance initiative and the positive impact it has had was also reviewed.

c. **Division III issues.** The group discussed marijuana usage and drug testing, as well as the lack of staffing at the Division III level, especially in the area of sports medicine during the nontraditional segment. The topics of depression and mental illness were also discussed, along with sexual assaults occurring on Division III campuses and the lack of prosecution and reports of incidents.

12. **Review of 2010-11 priorities.** The group reviewed and highlighted the priorities that have been accomplished to date and discussed those priorities that have yet to be accomplished.

13. **Governance updates.** Staff from each of the divisional governance areas joined the group and provided updates on current issues and led discussions for each of the divisions.

14. **Legislative update.** The group was provided a legislative update from a member of the academic and membership affairs group. Newly adopted legislation was reviewed, as well as relevant interpretations and educational columns.

15. Next meeting dates.

a. October 18, 2011, (conference call).

b. February 2012.

c. April 17, 2012, (conference call).

d. June 2012.

SAA Advisory Group chair: Eric Wood, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
Staff Liaisons: Jaime Fluker, Student-Athlete Affairs
Latrice Sales, Student-Athlete Affairs
Stephanie Thorburn, Student-Athlete Affairs
Katie Willett, Student-Athlete Affairs

NCAA and Transgender Student-Athlete Participation.

The NCAA currently does not have a published policy or interpretation to assist the membership with questions about fair and equitable participation by student-athletes who identify as transgender, i.e., a psychological and social identification as a man or a woman that differs from the person's sex at birth. A person who was born female and transitions to male is termed trans-male. A person who was born male and transitions to female is termed trans-female.

In consultation with medical and research experts who have advised both the Olympic committee and others working with transgender athletes, the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the Committee on Women's Athletics support the following to provide direction regarding the participation of a transgender student-athlete:

- *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 addressing policy, the above committees and NCAA staff have developed a resource handbook and a video to help the membership with full understanding of the issues. The Executive Committee will provide a final review and approval to establish the above policy for the membership at its August 2011 meeting.

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MANAGEMENT COUNCIL CONFERENCE VISITS

NAME:	Kurt Beron

CONFERENCE:	Great South Athletic Conference

DATE:	May 23, 2011

ATTENDEES (CEO, AD, SWA, FAR, SAAC):
Conference Commissioner and ADs.

COMMENTS	

a. Identity Initiative Activation Resources:
• How well has the platform message been communicated to the following key audiences:
  ○ Prospect student-athletes and parents?
  ○ Campus faculty?
  ○ Coaches?
  ○ The public?
• What other resources can the NCAA national office provide to assist institutions and conferences?
	Still to early, they say, to see much impact.
	Focus was on making sure reminders go out about (a) the current $1000 and (b) how to actually log on and get it. Some ADs said they couldn't log on and didn't know who to contact. One was upset that someone on their staff was able to call and get the password that should only have gone to the AD.

b. Drug Education and Testing Pilot: • What are features of a user-friendly drug education model? • How can coaches be included in drug education efforts? • Should funds be distributed through the Conference Grant Program or a separate channel?	ADs did not have much to say about this, but one did recommend the use of the APPLE conference.
c. Academic Reporting Pilot: • How can institutions use the pilot results? • What was your experience with data submission? • If year two results look like year one, what should the division do with this program?	2 schools in conference are part of pilot and said survey of institutional research people carrying out work should be done. All liked idea, but worried about how to keep track of SAs who only play part of their career at college (ex., play freshman year but not future years). How to track based on eligibility?

d. Financial Dashboards: • What data are you most interested in seeing?	Haven't had chance to review data elements, but emphasized needed to be user friendly - "Not like D1's" said AD who'd used their system.
e. Presidential Leadership: • Are the concepts included in the potential 2012 legislative package reflective of core DIII tenants?	No comments.
f. Strategic Initiatives: • Financial Aid Reporting Program. • Conference Grant Program. • Faculty Athletics Representative Institute. • Campus-based facilitation training. • Student-athlete leadership and career in sports forums.	No particular comments on the initiatives. The conference has members taking advantage of some of the programs.
g. Championships: • Bench size resolution. • Regional alignment project. • Men's volleyball championship. • Core membership in a conference.	No particular issues relating to championships (but partial reason may be in my general comments below).

GENERAL COMMENTS:] One very general observation and one specific set of remarks that were made to me.

The general observation is that the GSAC is in a fragile situation. Three of the members are leaving, which will drop it to a six school conference. Additionally, the current (and I believe only ever) commissioner of the conference is retiring. How the conference will continue from here is unclear.

The specific remarks were made to me by a couple of ADs that suggest a number of schools (in and out of the conference) are upset with what they termed enrollment management issues. The concerns seemed to involve how to increase retention and focused on reviewing texting rules in general and allowing coaches to meet players prior to the official start day (though not in a practice setting). A third issue in this same vein, and one I would be interested in some discussion about, is whether coaches should be allowed to be at ceremonial signing ceremonies. I was told that we would likely see some conferences come forward with legislation relating to these.

Management Council Feedback from UAA Athletics Administrators Meeting
Tampa FL (June 8, 2011)

In attendance: AD's and SWA's from Brandeis, Carnegie Mellon, Case Western, Chicago, Emory, NYU, Rochester, Washington U.

Identity Initiative

- Greater emphasis on reaching public (student-athletes).
- Stronger connection to coaches.
- It's written for adults – something that will resonate better with students (high school and college).

Drug Education

- Why are we spending money on local testing if the membership survey said no mandatory testing program?

Financial Dashboard

- No more 3rd party reporting.
- Align NCAA report better with EADA and make Division III specific.

Championships

- In region competition distance should be the same as in region for bus travel (500 miles).
- Why are we spending money on bench enhancements when we should:
    - Shrink travel limit to 400 miles.
    - Increase per diem.
    - Pay for local transportation.

NCAA regional rules seminar

- Presentations should be 100% correct and reflect practical application (i.e. letter award limitations).
- Should spend time on new legislation (strength & conditioning).
- NCAA interpretations staff should be federated (DI, DII, DIII).
- Staff should have some campus experience.
- There should be follow up to all attendees with any necessary clarifications or corrections.

SUMMARY OF SUMMER 2011 QUARTERLY MEETINGS
The National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division III Management Council **July 25-26, 2011** **Indianapolis, IN**	**Division III Presidents Council** **August 11, 2011** **Indianapolis, IN**
Kitty Baldridge, Gallaudet University Kurt Beron, University of Texas at Dallas Tim Downes, Emory University Tucker Glass, Plattsburgh State University of New York Mary Jo Gunning, Marywood University Marjorie Hass, Austin College Janine Hathorn, Washington and Lee University Portia Hoeg, Lake Forest College Kirin Khan, Mills College Bill Klika, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham Chris Martin, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin [*chair*] Jeff Martinez, University of Redlands [*vice chair*] Nancy Meyer, Calvin College Steve Nelson, University of Wisconsin, Superior Charlie Robert, Nichols College Terry Rupert, Wilmington College (Ohio) Lou Stark, Coe College Chris Thomforde, Moravian College	Livingston Alexander, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford Robert Antonucci, Fitchburg State College James Bultman, Hope College [*chair*] Thomas Chema, Hiram College Charley Edmondson, Alfred University Sharon Herzberger, Whittier College Catharine Hill, Vassar College Brian Levin-Stankevich, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire Lisa Marsh Ryerson, Wells College Chris Martin, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin [*chair of Management Council*] Jeff Martinez, University of Redlands *[vice-chair of Management Council]* Fred Ohles, Nebraska Wesleyan University Rosalind Reichard, Emory and Henry College James Schmotter, Western Connecticut State University [*vice-chair*]
ABSENTEES	**ABSENTEES**
Stan Ching, Connecticut College Charles Harris, Averett University Fredina Ingold, Pennsylvania State University, Altoona	Marcia Keizs, York College Jack Ohle, Gustavus Adolphus College Ron Thomas, University of Puget Sound
OTHER PARTICIPANTS	**OTHER PARTICIPANTS**
Scott Bearby, NCAA Gary Brown, NCAA Azure Davey, NCAA Daniel T. Dutcher, NCAA Mark Emmert, NCAA Bernard Franklin, NCAA Eric Hartung, NCAA Amy Huchthausen, NCAA Leah Kareti, NCAA, *recording secretary* David Klossner, NCAA Debbie Kresge, NCAA Kat Krtnick, NCAA Kiera Miller, NCAA Karen Morrison, NCAA Jeff Myers, NCAA Kristin Nesbitt, NCAA Delise O'Meally, NCAA	Gary Brown, NCAA Azure Davey, NCAA Daniel T. Dutcher, NCAA Mark Emmert, NCAA Bernard Franklin, NCAA Eric Hartung, NCAA Amy Huchthausen, NCAA Leah Kareti, NCAA, *recording secretary* Annie Kearns, NCAA David Klossner, NCAA Debbie Kresge, NCAA Kat Krtnick, NCAA Kiera Miller, NCAA Jeff Myers, NCAA Delise O'Meally, NCAA

Juanita Sheely, NCAA
Liz Suscha, NCAA
Mary Wilfert, NCAA
John Williams, NCAA

1. WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Management Council. The meeting was called to order at 8:03 a.m. by the chair, Chris Martin. The chair welcomed Council members and reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

Presidents Council. The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m. by the chair, President Jim Bultman. The Presidents Council attended a joint breakfast of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors and Division II Presidents Council immediately prior to the meeting. This joint breakfast included an update on Association-wide items of interest, including a report on the NCAA Communications task force and litigation update.

2. REVIEW OF RECORDS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS.

a. Management Council Meetings – April 11-12, 2011.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the summary of its April 11-12, 2011, meetings as presented.

Presidents Council. No action necessary.

b. Presidents Council Meeting – April 28, 2011.

Management Council. No action necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the summary of its April 28, 2011, meeting as presented.

c. Executive Committee Meeting – April 28, 2011.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2011, Executive Committee meeting. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the minutes of the April 28, 2011, Executive Committee meeting. No action was necessary.

d. Administrative Committee Actions.

Management Council. The Management Council approved the minutes of the May 10, May 16, June 9 and July 6, 2011, Administrative Committee actions.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the minutes of the May 10, May 16, June 9 and July 6, 2011, Administrative Committee actions.

3. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AFFECTING DIVISION III.

a. Division III Joint Presidents Council/Management Council Committees or Subcommittees.

(1) Convention-Planning Subcommittee.

Staff Liaisons:
Davey,
Dutcher,
Kareti,
Kresge

Council Reps:
Beron,
Edmundson,
Herzberger,
Khan,
Meyer, Stark

Management Council. The Management Council accepted the following topics for the Division III educational programs at Convention:

- Legislative Hot Topics- Recruiting. The session should cover current legislation, highlighting rules application and recent non-controversial updates and then include a discussion of the impact of recruiting rules on institutional enrollment strategy, life-work balance of coaches, and other hot topics.

- Division III Student-Athlete Experience. This session will use the results of the NCAA Growth, Opportunities, Aspirations, and Learning of Students in College (GOALS) and the Higher Educational Research Institute (HERI) study at UCLA to highlight significant elements of the student-athlete experience and discuss what institutions or conference could do with these findings. Examples of information covered include college choice, satisfaction with academic, athletics and extracurricular activities, time demands, community engagement, and self gains.

- NADIIIAAA programming. The division will again give NADIIIAA one if its 90 minutes Convention programming slots, and will request that NADIIIAA consider covering budgeting of Division III athletics departments and use of technology in Division III athletics departments, based on the membership survey results.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary. The Council noted that the 2012 Convention will include the same core schedule as 2011, with Presidents Council commitments beginning with a breakfast meeting on Thursday, January 12 and ending with the business session scheduled for 8 am to noon on Saturday, January 14. The Convention will be held in Indianapolis.

(2) Strategic-Planning and Finance Committee.

Staff Liaisons:
Barnett,
Dutcher,
Hartung,
Huchthausen,
Kareti
Kresge
Worlock,

Council Reps:
Baker,
Beron,
Glass,
Hass,
Levin-Stankevich,
Ryerson,
Martin,
Martinez,
Schmotter,
Stark

(a) 2012 Division III Strategic Plan.

Management Council. The Council approved the 2011-12 Division III Strategic Plan noting the addition of specific divisional priorities to successfully:

- Implement the partnership with Special Olympics;
- Establish a Division III-specific Academic All-America program;
- Partner with Divisions I and II to better establish an Association-wide approach to membership growth management;
- Incorporate the policy focus of the NCAA's Office of Inclusion in the division's management of diversity and gender equity issues; and
- Pursue a substance use deterrence model focusing primarily on education, in partnership with the student affairs community and including appropriate emphasis on the role of coaches. This shall be supplemented by opportunities for voluntary, local testing while the division maintains its championships drug testing program.

The Management Council concluded that these priorities are consistent with previously approved budget items and serve the best interests of student-athletes.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Strategic Plan, with the exception of the recommendation related to the financial support of voluntary, local drug testing [See item (b) below].

(b) Drug Testing Models.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to conduct further analysis and refinement of the following drug testing options:

- Matching grant, no required protocol.
- NCAA administered mini grants, both with and without required protocol; and
- Pursue a volume discount through a request for proposal (RFP) for a limited menu of drug testing options. The division would subsidize a portion of this expense using a similar concept to the Identity Purchasing Website.

First, regarding a matching grant program, the committee supported some level of institutional investment in the program, while maintaining ultimate flexibility for institutions by not requiring specific testing protocols. It was noted this will be the most attractive option for institutions already conducting campus-based drug testing.

Second, regarding NCAA administered mini-grants; the committee supported this option, both with and without required protocols, as a way to support institutions that may not have matching funds to dedicate to drug testing. The mini-grant program would provide for some control by the division of how the funds are used, while still affording a campus the flexibility to address local needs and concerns.

Finally, the committee supported the option to pursue a volume discount through RFP for a limited menu of drug testing options where the division would subsidize a portion of this expense (similar to the Identity Purchasing Website concept). This option represents a favorable balance of flexibility in protocol, limiting administrative burden, and maximizing economies of scale.

The committee did not endorse models that would be connected to the Conference Grant Program or otherwise focused on the conference as an entire group, noting the desire of the conference commissioners to maintain the campus-based focus of this initiative. Also, options relying on a single protocol were not endorsed for further study. The committee expressed concern that the ultimate financial allocation for the drug testing program must be consistent with the division's reluctance to launch a national testing program, and that the final testing model must be sensitive to both the Division III philosophy of not treating student-athletes different than the general student body and the usage rates of performance enhancing versus street drugs by student-athletes.

A financial analysis will be included in the refinement of selected proposals for inclusion in the 2012-14 budget.

Presidents Council. In consultation with the Presidents and Chancellors Advisory Group (PAG), the Presidents Council determined that the Division III substance use deterrence strategy should not include the use of financial resources to support optional, campus based drug testing. The PAG and Council concluded that the level of use of performance enhancing substances, as reflected in the results of the division's drug education and testing pilot, does not warrant such an allocation of resources. Rather, the division should focus its efforts and financial resources on education that targets alcohol and other drugs.

(c) Ice Hockey Officiating Stipend.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to deny the funding request of $15,000 ($50 per registrant) to subsidize Division III Ice Hockey officials' registration with ArbiterSports.

The national coordinator of Division III ice hockey officials sought this financial support because ice hockey has a preponderance of single sport conferences in an environment where officiating improvement funds are given to multi-sport conferences. With this request, it was noted that officiating improvement has been identified as a priority by the Division III membership and ice hockey is the first predominately single-sport conference sport to be provided education and training under the NCAA/ArbiterSports joint system.

While the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee appreciates the uniqueness of ice hockey, providing a sport-specific subsidy is inconsistent with both the division's normal treatment of officiating improvement and the ArbiterSports fee structure. Ice hockey sponsoring institutions may seek support through their multi-sport conferences, and the ice hockey officiating community has already negotiated a $24 discount with ArbiterSports by opting to forgo receipt of the standard welcome packet.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(d) Identity Activation for 2011-12.

Management Council. The Council reviewed both existing and in-progress identity activation resources. Regarding Division III week, the Council endorsed an early April timeframe to accommodate outdoor activities, involve prospective student-athletes who may have recently committed to attending an institution, and to ensure that all Division III institutions are in a regular academic term. The division should consider moving Division III week to different times in different years, targeting an October implementation for 2012-13.

The Council reviewed the use of the Purchasing Website and institutional and conference credits, and discussed items to be made available for the 2011-12 site. Consistent with the findings of the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee, the Council expressed that the communication efforts need to give greater emphasis to the high school community, including prospective student-athletes and their parents, and high school coaches and admissions counselors. The division should also consider whether different areas of the country would benefit from a different

communications strategy (based on the concentration of Division III institutions in the region). The Council advised that the division should provide materials and talking points to campuses, who can then reach out to applicable high school audiences. As part of this strategy, the division must ensure that its message points are relevant to college coaches, prospective student-athletes and their parents and coaches. The division should also consider the impact on institutions of having many messages to convey (institutional, conference, NCAA, and other affiliations such as religious or state.)

The Council also reviewed plans to develop a customizable video that communicates the overarching Division III platform and also allows for an institution or conference to add local content. A set of instructions or best practices should accompany the video to provide guidance on how to effectively accomplish the customization.

Finally, the Council received an update on the Division III Special Olympics partnership, which officially launched August 1, 2011. Representatives from Special Olympics or North America and guest speaker Jason Plante from Special Olympics Indiana joined the Council for its joint meeting with the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. It was noted that most Division III championships will include Special Olympics events in 2011-12, and that the division will launch a website supporting this initiative on August 1.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Drug Education/NASPA Collaboration.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report regarding a proposal for an NCAA Division III-NASPA Alcohol and Other Drug Education Collaboration. The proposal was drafted in response to the results of the division's drug education and testing pilot and presents a framework for collaboration between the NCAA and NASPA (Student-Affairs Administrators in Higher Education) on the creation and maintenance of a drug education resource for use by both NCAA and NASPA members. The division is awaiting formal response from NASPA on this proposal. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Academic Reporting Pilot.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the Academic Reporting timeline for 2011-12 and noted that a full report of aggregate findings will be shared in October. It is expected that these findings will be shared with the full membership at the 2012 Convention.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) Conference Presidential Leadership Update.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the findings of a survey to assess the role of presidential leadership at the conference level regarding roles, participation and expectation of the institutions' presidents. Essentially, only two of the 42 multi-sports conferences did not conduct a presidential meeting in 2010-11. The committee noted the positive momentum represented in the survey findings and suggests that the best way to reach 100% conference participation in a presidential meeting is through personal outreach to the impacted individuals. Further, the committee requested that the staff produce a resource on conducting effective teleconference or video conference meetings for those conferences that are either geographically dispersed or otherwise not able to conduct in-person meetings. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(h) Division III Budget.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the division's budget report as of June 27, 2011. The results include $23,914,000 in revenue and $18,848,799 in expenses, which reflects a majority of the championship expenses, but excludes many spring events. The Division III reserve balance is expected to be $16,965,255 at year end. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council reviewed the division's budget report as of June 27, 2011. No action was necessary.

(3) Joint Legislative Steering Subcommittee.

Staff Liaisons:
Dutcher,
Huchthausen,
Kareti
Myers

Council Reps:
Antonucci,
Bultman,
Harris,
Hass,
Martin,
Reichard,
Stark,
Thomforde

(a) Approval of guiding principles.

Management Council. The Management Council accepted the guiding principles developed by the subcommittee for its evaluation of legislative proposals. These guiding principles will serve as a standard filter by which the subcommittee can conduct its work in an efficient manner. Further, it will bring a level of transparency to the process for the membership and governance structure to better understand the lens through which the subcommittee will evaluate legislative proposals as to its either strategic or operational focus. The subcommittee noted the importance of maintaining the discretion to forward any proposal to the Presidents Council as it deems necessary; however, it agreed the following principles would establish a framework for its work:

i. Significant financial impact;
ii. Significant effect on legislative principles as addressed in the Division III philosophy statement or strategic positioning platform;
iii. Other issues affecting strategic priorities of the division; and
iv. Significant Association-wide impact.

Presidents Council. The Council accepted the information.

(b) Referral of 2012 NCAA Convention Legislation to NCAA Division III Presidents Council (Membership – Conference Membership Benefits, Conditions and Obligations).

Management Council. The Council referred to the Presidents Council for consideration the 2012 NCAA Convention legislative recommendation from the NCAA Membership Committee regarding conference membership benefits, conditions and obligations. (See page 25 for related action.)

This proposal is a companion to the proposal already sponsored by the Presidents Council regarding core membership for automatic qualification purposes. While this recommendation largely brings consistency to the legislated benefits, conditions and obligations regarding conference membership, its connection to the automatic qualification proposal and impact on conference membership warrants presidential review.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(c) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Presidents Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – Required Sickle-Cell Testing).

Management Council. The Council referred to the Presidents Council for consideration the 2012 Convention legislative recommendation from the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports regarding required sickle-cell testing. (See page 40 for related action.)

This recommendation addresses an issue that has received regular attention by the governance structure, including the Presidents Council, for nearly two years. The significant health and safety impact along with the potential liability issues support the Presidents Council continued involvement on this matter.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(d) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Presidents Council (Executive Regulations – Professional Sports Organizations' Financial Sponsorship of Intercollegiate Competition Events and Ancillary Activities).

Management Council. The Council referred to the Presidents Council for consideration the 2012 Convention legislative recommendation from the NCAA Division III Championships Committee regarding professional sports organizations financial sponsorship of intercollegiate athletics competition events and ancillary activities. (See page 16 for related action.)

This recommendation is in response to the Presidents Council withdrawal of NCAA Division III Proposal No. 2011-13 during the 2011 NCAA Convention. The Presidents Council agreed to withdraw the proposal and charged the national office to more thoroughly examine the issue and return with a more complete proposal to address the involvement of professional sports organizations with intercollegiate competition and other events in a manner consistent with the Association's amateurism principles. This same proposal will be considered in all three divisions as it has an Association-wide impact regarding the administration of NCAA championships. For these reasons, this proposal warrants presidential review.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(e) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to NCAA Division III Management Council (Personnel – Certified Strength and Conditioning Coaches – Required Sports-Safety Training).

Management Council. The Council accepted for consideration, but did not forward to the Presidents Council, the 2012 Convention legislative recommendation from the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee regarding required sports-safety training for certified strength and conditioning coaches. (See page 36 for related action.)

While this proposal is based on health and safety concerns, it addresses them through an operational requirement that is an extension of existing legislation.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(f) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – Football – Testing During Five-Day Acclimatization Period).

Management Council. The Council accepted for consideration, but did not forward to the Presidents Council, the 2012 Convention legislative recommendation from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports regarding testing during the five-day acclimatization period in football. (See page 41 for related action.)

This proposal modifies the methods of communication that can be used during the recruitment process, but does not materially impact the principles of recruiting, thereby rendering it an operational matter.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(g) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Recruiting – Permissible Electronic Transmissions).

Management Council. The Council accepted for consideration, but did not forward to the Presidents Council, the 2012 membership-sponsored Convention legislation regarding the elimination of the restrictions on electronic correspondence. (See page 47 for related action.)

This proposal modifies the methods of communication that can be used during the recruitment process, but does not materially impact the principles of recruiting, thereby rendering it an operational matter.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(h) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Eligibility – Hardship Waiver – Practice After Injury).

Management Council. The Council accepted for consideration, but did not forward to the Presidents Council, the 2012 membership-sponsored Convention legislation regarding practice after a season-ending injury. (See page 47 for related action.)

This proposal is operational in nature as it impacts a student-athlete's eligibility for a hardship waiver.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(i) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (NCAA Membership – Conditions and Obligations of Membership – Eliminating Regional Rules Seminar Attendance Requirement).

Management Council. The Council accepted for consideration, but did not forward to the Presidents Council, the 2012 membership-sponsored Convention legislation regarding elimination of the Regional Rules Seminar attendance requirement to the Management Council for consideration. (See page 46 for related action.)

This proposal is operational in nature as the elimination of this requirement does not have a significant philosophical or strategic impact.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(j) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – Required Day Off – Voluntary Strength and Conditioning Activities Prohibited During Required Day Off).

Management Council. The Council accepted for consideration, but did not forward to the Presidents Council, the 2012 membership-sponsored Convention legislation regarding the prohibition of voluntary workouts conducted by a certified strength and conditioning coach on the mandatory day off during the playing season and outside the playing season. (See page 47 for related action.)

This proposal is operational in nature as the extension of the mandatory day off legislation does not have a significant philosophical or strategic impact.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

(k) Referral of 2012 Convention Legislation to Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing Season Regulations – Post-season Activities Exempting One Postseason Championship from the 18 or 19 Week Declared Playing Season).

Management Council. The Council accepted for consideration, but did not forward to the Presidents Council, the 2012 membership-sponsored Convention legislation regarding one postseason championship to occur outside the playing season and to exempt one postseason championship from the maximum contest limits. (See page 47 for related action.)

This proposal is operational in nature since it primarily involves scheduling matters which is handled at the administrative, rather than presidential, level at each institution.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council approved the Management Council's recommendation.

b. Management Council Subcommittees.

Staff Liaisons: Davey, Nesbitt

Council Reps: Ching, Downes, Harris

(1) Academic Issues Subcommittee.

- **Waiver Directive – Cooperative Educational Work Experience.**

Management Council. The Council approved the subcommittee's recommendation to issue the following directive:

For waivers of NCAA Bylaw 14.1.8.1 for those student-athletes seeking a waiver of full-time enrollment for the 2011-12 academic year and thereafter, a waiver shall be granted for student-athletes participating in a cooperative educational work experience program that is not a required element of the institution's degree program, if the request demonstrates the experience is common or highly recommended in the field of study. To substantiate this assertion, the following documentation must be provided:

1. Official Statement. A statement from the institution's academic authority that confirms both:

   a. The program is common and/or highly recommended in the student-athlete's field of study, and
   b. The student-athlete meets the institutional requirements necessary for participation in the program.

2. Institutional Materials. The pertinent portion(s) of any institutional material(s) that reflect that cooperative educational work experience is common and/or highly recommended in the student-athlete's field of study (e.g., the institution's course catalog, program literature or the official bulletin specific to the student-athlete's degree program or major).

In addition, when reviewing these requests, the subcommittee will refer to the applicant institution's academic eligibility standards to gauge the student-athlete's academic achievement. This policy is consistent with the Division III philosophy that the institution's own academic standards are the appropriate benchmarks for academic success.

The Management Council had referred this issue to the subcommittee on recommendation from the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislative Committee after noting the subcommittee often grants full-time waivers for nonrequired programs if the institution can demonstrate that

the program is recommended and/or common for the field of study or profession. As a result, the committee agreed that a waiver directive for nonrequired programs would clarify and reduce the burden on schools submitting waivers in these circumstances.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Brooks, Oakes

Council Reps: Downes, Gunning, Hathorn, Robert, Rupert

(2) Subcommittee for Legislative Relief.

Management Council. The Council received an oral report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Myers, Nesbitt

Council Reps: Ching, Harris, Khan, Klika, Martin, Meyer, Nelson

(3) Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee.

- **Review of waiver per NCAA Division III Bylaw 17.1.13.**

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to deny a request from North Central College to conduct its nontraditional segment for the sport of softball during its "D-term," a nonrequired period that comprises the first portion of the institution's regular winter term. The subcommittee determined that the institution's nontraditional academic calendar did not interfere with the institution's ability to conduct its non-traditional segment. The institution had nine weeks in the fall term, ample time to conduct the four or five week nontraditional segment. The subcommittee was sympathetic to the institution's plight regarding lack of facility time, but indicated this was a concern for many institutions and was not sufficient rationale for waiving the requirements of Bylaw 17. Granting the waiver would not positively impact student-athlete well being and could provide a greater competitive advantage by condensing the time period between the nontraditional segment and traditional segment.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

c. Division III Committees.

(1) Championships Committee.

Staff Liaisons: Gentry, Suscha, Williams

Council Reps: Downes, Martin, Nelson

(a) NCAA Bylaw 21.3 Association-Wide Committees – Rules committees without Championships Administration Responsibilities.

Management Council. The Management Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to modify NCAA Division III Bylaw 21.3 to include new stand-alone rules committees for the sports of swimming and diving, track and field and cross country, and wrestling. The new

rules committees will consist of nine members (four Division I representatives, two Division II representatives, two Division III representatives and a secretary-rules editor). The modification will create corresponding changes to Bylaws 21.4 and 21.7.5.5.5.

In response to a request for feedback from the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP), the relevant sport committees discussed the creation of separate rules-making committees and identified several positive outcomes, including a more focused effort on the part of divisional representatives to the rules-making process and greater reach among the membership with respect to sport-focused committee composition. In addition, a move to separate rules committees underscores the importance of a rules-making process that addresses the entirety of the competition season.

The sport committees emphasize the need for regular dialogue with the new rules-making committees to allow for meaningful input in the rules-making process, including the development of rules surveys. For the sports of track and field and cross country and swimming and diving, the committees suggest that, as individuals are evaluated in the nominating process, attention be paid to expertise in the various disciplines within the sport (e.g., diving for swimming and diving, distance running, throws, pole vault, etc. for track and field and cross country).

The estimated budget impact is $30,000 ($10,000 per committee). The rules committees will conduct one in-person meeting on an annual basis. The expense will be covered through a reallocation within the existing budget.

In its approval, the Council expressed concern that the Association-wide rules committees consider the financial impact on Division III campuses of any rules changes.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Bylaw 31.3.3.2.2 Secondary Criteria – Ranking and Selection.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation for football only, to modify Bylaw 31.3.3.2.2 to reflect that, when all criteria are equal among teams with undefeated records in the primary criteria, the NCAA Division III Football Committee can evaluate a team's performance in the previous championship season in the secondary criteria for ranking purposes only.

The maximum number of games that a football team can play is 10. The conference schedule typically determines 80 to 90 percent of those games, which is significantly higher than any other sport. After taking into account conference games (an automatic .500 strength-of-schedule), the committee is left with only one or two games that have statistical significance with the existing criteria. Thus, the rankings/selections data provides very little objective information to use in ranking teams. The data that is available in the primary criteria for the first two rankings, and sometimes also for the third ranking, often includes only the win-loss percentage and strength-of-schedule [opponents' win-loss percentage (OWP) and opponents' opponents' win-loss percentage (OOWP)].

Limited or no data is available for in-region head-to-head competition, in-region results versus common opponents and in-region results versus ranked teams. It is also very common for fifteen or more teams to have no losses.

Under the existing selection criteria, a good team in a strong conference is at a significant disadvantage. For example, College A and College B are both 10-0. Ninety percent of their schedules reflect a .500 OOWP, since each conference has an equal number of wins and losses, even though College A plays in a strong conference and had a much tougher road getting to 9-0 than College B. Moreover, no teams in contention are willing to play College A in a 10th contest, so it is forced to schedule a weaker team, resulting in strength-of-schedule slightly less than .500. In contrast, College B, from a weaker conference, has many opportunities to schedule a 10th contest, so it schedules and beats a decent team, resulting in strength-of-strength slightly over .500. Based on the data, the committee has no choice but to rank College B over College A, even though it believes that College A is superior to College B.

Permitting the committee to consider a team's performance in the previous championship season would provide an additional criterion to use to evaluate the teams and distinguish one undefeated team from another. Unlike many sports, a football team's success is based on the performance of a significant number of players; thus the rise and fall of a team is usually not affected by the graduation of a few players. If a team has done well in the previous championship and is currently undefeated, there is a significant probability that the team's prior success is an indicator of future success.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Bylaw 12.6.1 Professional Sports Organizations and Bylaw 31.1.12 Restricted Advertising and Sponsorship Activities.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention 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 completion), 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.

In the fall of 2010, the NCAA Division III Presidents Council withdrew NCAA Division III Proposal No. 2011-2-6 regarding advertising and sponsorship by professional sports organizations for NCAA championships. 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).

Each division has been operating under a waiver for NCAA championships that have occurred since the issue was originally raised and a legislative change is necessary for future NCAA championships.

While the original issue centered on NCAA championships, the proposed legislative action item is presented to apply for any intercollegiate competition event so that institutions and conferences would not be held to a different standard than the NCAA. Each division is not required to have the same legislation for institutions, conferences and the NCAA within its own division. It is strongly advised, however, that each division agree on the same legislation for NCAA championships (competition and ancillary events) in order to ensure a consistent championships experience for student-athletes in all divisions. In particular, for combined championships such as men's lacrosse (Divisions I, II and III), women's lacrosse (Divisions II and III), and women's rowing (Divisions I, II and III), a result that has the divisions with different legislation for NCAA championships creates practical implications that would likely mean combined championships would no longer occur.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention.

(d) Bylaw 31.1.9.1 Failure to Adhere to Policies and Procedures - Financial Penalties.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept the committee's recommendation to adopt an administrative regulation to modify Bylaw 31.1.9.1 to increase the maximum penalty that may be imposed

for an institution's failure to adhere to published administrative procedures for the submission of regular-season results, availability questionnaires and/or entry forms, from $300 to $600.

The $300 maximum financial penalty for failure to adhere to policies and procedures governing championships administration has not increased since the adoption of the provision. Research suggests that $600 in today's dollars is the equivalent of $300 when the original legislation was adopted. This proposal increases the maximum fine that may be imposed without seeking prior Championships Committee approval. Any fine above $600 would continue to require prior Championships Committee approval.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Championship Bench Size Limits.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to adjust bench size limits for the championships noted below for the 2011-12 academic year. The additional positions are to be filled at the institution's discretion with student-athletes permitted to be in uniform and participate in practice and warm-ups (refer to Nonlegislative Action Item b). Established squad size limits (i.e., the number of student-athletes permitted to participate in a contest) will remain unchanged.

- Baseball – from 34 to 35;
- Field hockey – from 32 to 34;
- Football – from 72 to 75;
- Men's lacrosse – from 38 to 42;
- Men's and women's soccer – from 32 to 35;
- Men's and women's tennis – bench area not applicable, but the number of participants eligible for practice and pre-match warm-up changes from eight to nine; and
- Men's and women's ice hockey – due to current playing rules, bench area remains at 27 and number of participants eligible for pre-game warm-up remains at 22 (not more than 19 skaters and three goalkeepers) for the 2012 championships, but number of participants changes from 21 to 23.

The committee is recommending the bench size increases in response to a resolution adopted at the 2011 NCAA Convention that promised to study the appropriate number of student-athletes allowed in the bench area at various Division III championships. The Management Council should anticipate a follow-up recommendation for review during its October 2011 meeting for corresponding increases to the squad size and travel party of the applicable sports as part of the 2012-14 biennium championships budget request.

The committee suggests this two-step approach in order to respond to immediate concerns about providing additional student-athletes access to the championships experience while focusing on the interest to fully fund the experience whenever possible. And, while the committee considered an unfunded or partially funded approach to bench size expansion, it determined that a fully funded experience better controls for competitive equity and undue pressure on facilities.

By sport recommendations were based on data compiled from previous championships, including a review of the average squad sizes of previous championship participants, and input requested from sport committees. The committee concluded that the existing limits in some sports were adequate and, as a result, did not recommend changes for those sports. As part of its analysis, the committee evaluated total championship opportunities by gender to ensure that the proposed bench size increases do not disproportionately favor one gender over the other.

Funding for the additional bench size positions will be at the institution's expense in 2011-12, since additional personnel above and beyond the squad size and travel party are not reimbursed by the NCAA. In subsequent years, the Championships Committee recommends that the increases would be fully funded, pending budget approval.

Management Council members noted that their endorsement of the policy changes regarding the bench area for 2011-12 should not be interpreted as a blanket endorsement for budget allocations for squad size adjustments in subsequent years. The Council pointed out that it is only one of several enhancements to the student-athlete championships experience that will be considered when the 2012-14 budget is considered (increases in per diem and more flexibility with ground transportation are examples of others).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Bylaw 31.1.5 Squad Limits.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to approve a one-year waiver of the administrative regulation contained within Bylaw 31.1.5 for those sports contained within the championships bench size limits recommendation, specifically baseball, field hockey, football, men's lacrosse, men's and women's soccer, and men's and women's tennis.

The existing bylaw limits the number of student-athletes permitted in competitive uniform at the start of the competition to the squad size established for the sport. With expanded championships access allowed through the championships bench size limits recommendation, the

permissible number of student-athletes in competitive uniform can exceed the squad size limit. A one-year waiver would allow the designation of the appropriate number of student-athletes in competitive uniform to comply with the recommendation contained within the championships bench size limits recommendation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) Team Personnel – Travel Party and Bench Size Requirement.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report regarding travel party and bench size requirements. As a part of its discussion concerning championships bench size limits, the committee also considered recommendations to accommodate non-student-athlete personnel as part of the bench area limits. Pending the approval of the forthcoming recommendation concerning squad size increases, the committee anticipates submission of a companion proposal that, by the 2012-13 academic year, will require institutions in team sports other than golf and tennis to include an athletic trainer or team physician as a member of the existing travel party in order to receive travel expenses for that position in the travel party. For football, the requirement will be applicable for two such positions. If an institution does not comply, then that spot(s) in the travel party will not be eligible for reimbursement. Institutions also will be allowed to include one additional medical personnel (which could be a student-athlete trainer) – or two additional for football – in the bench area at the institution's expense. In addition, the committee intends to propose that an additional member of the travel party be designated for a team administrator as part of the 2012-14 biennium championships budget request. Currently, while it is required for participating institutions to bring an administrator who does not have other specified duties at the championship, that person is not funded. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(h) Sport Committee Appointments.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee's made the following appointments to sports committees. All appointments will be effective September 1, 2011, unless otherwise noted.

- Division III Baseball Committee. Mid-Atlantic region: Bill Stiles, director of athletics and recreation, Alvernia University.
- Division III Women's Basketball Committee. East region: Tara Ruckh, women's basketball coach, State University of New York at Potsdam. Great Lakes region: Dixie Jeffers, women's basketball coach/senior woman administrator, Capital University.

- Division III Field Hockey Committee. North Atlantic region: Wendy Andreatta, head field hockey coach, University of Rochester.
- Division III Football Committee. South region: Loren Dawson, head football coach, Austin College.
- Division III Women's Ice Hockey Committee. ECAC East Hockey League: Renee Hellert, assistant director of athletics, New England College.
- Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee. Atlantic region: Mary Kate Curran, head women's track and field coach, St. Lawrence University.
- Division III Women's Volleyball Committee. Immediate vacancy replacing Sue DuMars – Mid-Atlantic region: Pamela Samuelson, director of athletics, Susquehanna University. Immediate vacancy replacing Elise Cooper – New York region: Jonathan Penn, head women's volleyball coach, Vassar College. September vacancy – West region: Mari Burningham, head women's volleyball coach, University of Redlands.
- Division III Wrestling Committee. Immediate vacancy replacing Frank O'Brien – Midwest region: Dick Simmons, associate director of athletics, Cornell College.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(i) Men's and Women's Basketball Officials ArbiterSports Test.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee approved a proposal from the NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Basketball Committees (and supported by Division III conference commissioners) that all basketball officials must take and pass an online test on ArbiterSports in order to be considered for selection to work the NCAA Division III Men's or Women's Basketball Championships. The policy is effective with the 2011-12 season.

In order to access the test, an official must register through ArbiterSports and pay a $100 membership fee. Therefore, any official who wants to be considered for NCAA championship selection must register on this website.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(j) Go Ground Transportation Program.

Management Council. Juanita Sheely, NCAA travel and insurance manager, visited the Council to provide an update and receive feedback on the NCAA's Go Ground Transportation pilot program.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Hartung, Myers, Nesbitt

Council Rep: Rupert

(2) Financial Aid Committee.

Management Council. The Council received an oral report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Cooper, Elworth

Council Rep: Gunning

(3) Committee on Infractions.

- **NCAA Bylaw 19.5.2 – Penalties for Major Violations.**

Management Council. The Council ratified a policy and procedure to revise Bylaw 19.5.2, per the following:

19.5.2 Penalties for Major Violations

19.5.2.1 Presumptive Penalty. The presumptive penalty for a major violation, subject to exceptions authorized by the Committee on Infractions on the basis of specifically stated reasons, shall include all of the following:

(a) A two-year probationary period (including a periodic in-person monitoring system and written institutional reports);

(b) The reduction in the number of expense-paid recruiting visits to the institution in the involved sport for one recruiting year;

(c) **A restriction on activities and benefits provided during un-official visits**.

(d) A requirement that all coaching staff members in the sport be prohibited from engaging in any off-campus recruiting activities for up to one recruiting year;

(e) A requirement that all institutional staff members determined by the committee knowingly to have engaged in or condoned a major violation be subject to:

- Termination of employment;
- Suspension without pay for at least one year;
- Reassignment of duties within the institution to a position that does not include contact with prospective or enrolled student-athletes or representatives of the institution's athletics interests for at least one year; or
- Other disciplinary action approved by the committee.

(f) Sanctions precluding postseason competition in the sport, particularly in those cases in which:

- Involved individuals remain active in the program;
- A significant competitive advantage results from the violation(s); or
- The violation(s) reflect a lack of institutional control.

(g) Institutional recertification that the current athletics policies and practices conform to all requirements of NCAA regulations.

[Remainder of 19.5.2 unchanged]

It has come to the attention of the office of the Committees on Infractions that, over the past decade or so, many institutions have moved away from using official paid visits as a recruiting tool in favor of unofficial visits. A limitation on the number of expense-paid ("official") visits is a penalty available to the Committees on Infractions in all three divisions under Bylaw 19.5.2. (2010-11 NCAA Manuals). There is currently no penalty available that addresses unofficial visits. In Division III, there are no limits on the number of official or unofficial visits and it would be difficult to restrict prospects in making unofficial visits to campuses. However, it would appear that there could be restrictions placed on the benefits and activities made available to prospects by institutions during unofficial visits. In Division III, examples of such include the following (See: Bylaw 13.7):

- Tickets or passes to athletics contests.
- Transportation to view practice and competition sites on the institution's campus.
- A meal for the prospective student-athlete and his or her relative or legal guardian.
- Housing.
- Contact with institutional staff members.

The members of the Division III COI have approved the proposed new penalty relating to unofficial visits. The new penalty would restrict or prohibit activities and benefits allowed during unofficial visits. As reflected above, it would be inserted after the penalty which allows for a reduction in the number of expense-paid ("official") recruiting visits and would read "Restrictions on activities and benefits available during unofficial visits." The specifics of the restrictions would be spelled out in each case as deemed appropriate by the Committees on Infractions.

With this action, the Management Council directs the committee to focus on applying this penalty in an athletics context only and not impact general recruiting efforts by the institution.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Dantzler, Smith, Walters

Council Reps: Antonucci, Baldridge

(4) Infractions Appeals Committee.

- **Renaming the NCAA Division III Infractions Appeals Committee hearing.**

Management Council. The Council ratified a policy and procedure to revise NCAA Bylaws 19 and 32 to change "hearing" to "oral argument" in sections related to the Infractions Appeals Committee.

The NCAA Division I Committee on Infractions and the NCAA Division I Infractions Appeals Committee Clarification Task Force were charged by the NCAA Division I Board of Directors to review recommendations implemented as a result of the 2006 Enforcement Audit Report May 2006 (Duff Report). A particular area of focus for this working group was on those recommendations that addressed procedures for conducting hearings of the Committee on Infractions and the Infractions Appeals Committee, as well as reviewing and clarifying the relationship between Committee on Infractions and Infractions Appeals Committee.

One of the recommendations from this group was to rename the Infractions Appeals' hearing. The Infractions Appeals Committee process should not be called a "hearing." It is not a hearing which would include the submission of evidence and witness testimony. It is an oral argument where an oral presentation of the party's position and reasoning behind it is presented to an appellate body. The task force believed this change further clarified the process.

Given the purpose of the Infractions Appeals Committee process is consistent across divisions, the Division III Infractions Appeals Committee recommends renaming its hearing to "oral argument".

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Davey, Orr

Council Rep: Robert

(5) Membership Committee

(a) Modification of Wording – NCAA Division III Constitution 3.2.4.15 (Convention and Regional Rules Seminar Attendance).

Management Council. The Council approved in concept and final legislative format a modification of wording to clarify that an institutional voting delegate must be present and vote at the NCAA Convention business session in order to meet the legislated attendance requirement. The NCAA Division III Membership Committee noted the original intent of

the NCAA Convention attendance legislation was that it be satisfied by an institutional staff member casting a vote. The committee has been operating under this threshold since the legislation was adopted. This modification of wording will reflect the committee's intent and better clarify the requirement for member institutions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Convention Legislation – NCAA Division III Constitution 3.3 (Member Conference) – Core and Member Conference Consistency.

Management Council. The Council approved a recommendation to sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention to clarify the benefits, conditions and obligations of conference membership and align conference membership requirements with those required for automatic qualification (AQ) standards as outlined in a separate 2012 Convention proposal.

The governance structure supported legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to permit institutions to only be core members in one conference for AQ purposes. In its support of this proposal, the governance structure charged the Membership Committee with reviewing conference membership regulations to ensure consistency and clarify in conference benefits, conditions and obligation regulations. This proposal reflects the committee's review of the regulations and brings increased consistency and clarity to the member conference regulations.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention.

(c) Noncontroversial Legislation – NCAA Division III Constitution 3.6.3.1.1 (Fee for Provisional Members).

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to modify the provisional and reclassifying membership fee structure such that the amount of the fee(s) will be determined annually by the Division III Membership Committee based on the continual analysis of expenses and benefits associated with the membership process.

As expenses to provide educational services and support to provisional and reclassifying members increase due to changes in programming and costs, it has become necessary to change the fee structure to cover NCAA national office programming expenses. Therefore, it will be

necessary to periodically evaluate this fee and increase as appropriate. Further, use of the NCAA mark (e.g., blue disk) provides financial value and benefits to institutions and the committee recognizes that the blue disk value should be a factor in any future provisional and reclassifying fee(s).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Constitution 3.2.4.15.3 (Waiver) – NCAA Convention Attendance Waiver Request.

Management Council. The Council approved a waiver of the 2011 NCAA Convention attendance requirement per Constitution 3.2.4.15.3 (waiver) for Southern Vermont College. The effective date is September 1, 2010, through September 1, 2011; for the 2011 NCAA Convention.

The institution was unable to attend due to extraordinary weather conditions, personal hardship and the combination of both factors. The committee recognized, however, that the institution still took measures to ensure its vote was cast through its conference commissioner.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Sports Sponsorship Waiver – Wheelock College Waiver of 20.11.3 (Sports Sponsorship).

Management Council. The Council approved a sport sponsorship waiver for Wheelock College (2010-11 academic year) per NCAA Division III Bylaw 20.11.3.6.1 (male-female enrollment ratio waiver).

The committee noted that the institution was granted a sports sponsorship waiver per NCAA Bylaw 20.11.3.9.2 (single-gender institution transitioning to coeducational institution) during the 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 academic years. Specifically, the institution anticipated the full integration of males during this three-year transition period. However, during the 2010-11 academic year the institution still had a disproportionate enrollment ratio and few men had enrolled. The institution sponsors the requisite number of sports for males, but was unsuccessful in meeting the minimum participant requirement in one sport. The institution provided the committee a plan that demonstrated how the institution will meet future sports sponsorship requirements and outlined active measures the institution takes to solicit male student-athletes. Further, the institution demonstrated that a large number of male students are student-athletes and are provided participation opportunities.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) NCAA Division III Constitution 3.2.5.1 (Termination or Suspension – Membership Termination – New York City College of Technology.

Management Council. The Management Council accepted the information that New York City College of Technology withdrew its NCAA membership, effective on conclusion of the 2010-11 academic year. The Membership Committee in July had recommended terminating the school's NCAA membership for failure to satisfy penalty terms. At that time, the institution was in restricted status for failure to adhere to sports sponsorship requirements for the 2007-08 and 2008-09 academic years. Since the Membership Committee's meeting, however, the institution informed the NCAA that it is withdrawing its membership. Thus, the institution will no longer be considered an NCAA member as of the 2011-12 academic year.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) NCAA Constitution 3.1.2 (athletics consortiums) – Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges – Athletics Consortium Request.

Management Council. The Council approved renewal of a four-year athletics consortium between the Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges, subject to renewal prior to the 2015-16 academic year.

Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Colleges have a prior, ongoing academic consortium relationship. The institutions also have a long-standing athletics consortium and this request is a renewal of the previously approved athletics consortium. Further, the conference(s) in which the institutions are a member have approved the requested athletics consortium. Renewal of the athletics consortium permits student-athletes from each institution to continue to participate as part of one athletics program.

[Please note that during the discussion and voting on this recommendation, the director of athletics at University of Redlands recused himself and did not participate.]

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(h) NCAA Constitution 3.1.2 (athletics consortiums) – Pomona-Pitzer Colleges – Athletics Consortium Request.

Management Council. The Council approved renewal of a four-year athletics consortium membership between the Pomona-Pitzer Colleges, subject to renewal prior to the 2015-16 academic year.

The Pomona-Pitzer Colleges have a prior, ongoing academic consortium relationship. The institutions also have a long-standing athletics consortium and this request is a renewal of the previously approved athletics consortium. Further, the conference(s) in which the institutions are a member have approved the requested athletics consortium. Renewal of the athletics consortium permits student-athletes from each institution to continue to participate as part of one athletics program.

[Please note that during the discussion and voting on this recommendation, the director of athletics at University of Redlands recused himself and did not participate.]

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(i) Provisional Member Annual Reports – Active Membership – NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (Application).

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to elect the following institutions to active Division III membership per NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (application):

- Franciscan University Steubenville;
- Geneva College; and
- St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn)

Based on its review of the aforementioned institutions' annual reports, the committee agreed that the institutions should be elected into active membership.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(j) Reclassifying Member Annual Reports – Active Membership – NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (Application).

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to elect Birmingham-Southern College to active Division III membership per NCAA Constitution 3.2.3.1 (application).

Based on its review of Birmingham-Southern's annual report, the committee agreed that the institution should be elected into active membership.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(k) Provisional/Reclassifying Member Waiver of the Four-Year Provisional Period – Penn State Abington – NCAA Bylaw 20.3.3.1.1 (General).

Management Council. The Council approved a waiver of the four-year provisional period per Bylaw 20.3.3.1.1 (general) for Penn State Abington.

The committee noted that the institution has been exemplary during provisional years one and two, reflecting the ideals of Division III and deserves to be exempt from year three of the standard four-year process consistent with established waiver criteria. For example, the committee noted the institution prepared for Division III membership prior to commencing the provisional process. Further, several institutional administrators (e.g., chancellor, provost/vice president, director of athletics) have been involved and active within the division and its programming opportunities.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(l) Sports Sponsorship – Minimum Contest and Participants Review.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee reviewed contest and student-athlete participant data. The committee considered the variation in institutional contests and participants and noted that the current contest and participant minimums as legislated in NCAA Bylaw 20.11.3.8 (minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship) are still appropriate. The committee agreed to solidify the process and criteria it would use to make modifications to the minimums at a future meeting.

The committee also considered a number of sports sponsorship minimum related topics as follows:

a. Women's Golf. The committee reviewed a request from the Division III Women's Golf Committee that sought to reduce the minimum participant number per Bylaw 20.11.3.8 from five to four. The committee observed unique challenges exist in recruiting women's golf student-athletes in Division III and the corresponding lower participant numbers, but did not find that the reported data supported a reduction in the participant minimum. The committee recognized that relief could be provided through a Championships Committee waiver and, therefore, was not in favor of a permanent, legislative reduction. Further, the committee agreed that, generally, the minimum participant and minimum contest numbers should be standardized

across gender within the same sport; therefore, the committee also considered whether to reduce the minimum participant number for both men's and women's golf. The committee noted that lowering the minimums for both genders may not benefit either gender and, consequently, took no action.

b. Swimming and Diving. The committee reviewed a referral from the Interpretations and Legislation Committee (ILC). ILC referred Division I Proposal No. 2010-103 which reduces the Division I contest minimums in swimming and diving. The Division I sports sponsorship minimums were higher than Division III standards. The committee reviewed Division III swimming and diving sports sponsorship data and noted that current Division III swimming and diving minimums are appropriate.

c. Club Competition. The committee reviewed a request to consider permitting contests against club teams of four-year degree granting institutions to count toward meeting contest minimums detailed in Bylaw 20.11.3.8. The committee discussed the issue and declined to take action. In reaching its decision, the committee noted a lack of rigor in regulations and consistency for club teams that is contrary to the regulations that must be followed by Division III institutions.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(m) Dashboard Indicators.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report noting that the NCAA Executive Committee charged the Division II and III Membership Committees with developing an educational initiative that would 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. An institution pursuing NCAA membership should be required to study its potential affiliations in order to ensure the institution reaches a well-informed decision. The Executive Committee indicated this model should include detailed and "user-friendly" comparisons of each division and a comparison model that highlights differences among divisions prior to an institution entering a provisional membership process. In its consideration of the Executive Committee's charge, the committee considered possible indicators that would be of value to any institution considering NCAA membership. The committee suggested that data be included among dashboard indicators such as ethnic/minority enrollment and participation; facility structure and use; personnel salary information (including athletic training staff); budget with scholarships (Divisions I and II institutions)

versus budget without scholarships; length of the playing season and its financial impact on an institution; and the population of residential and nonresidential students. The committee noted the aforementioned elements should be considered in conjunction with any previous recommendations.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(n) Provisional/Reclassifying Process and Advancement.

Management Council. The Council acknowledged that the committee reviewed annual reports and educational materials for each provisional and reclassifying institution currently in the provisional/reclassifying process. As a result of each respective institution's performance in the provisional/reclassifying program, the following designations will take effect September 1, 2011:

- Year One to Year Two: Centenary College (Louisiana).
- Year Two to Year Three: Berry College and Covenant College.
- Year Three to Year Four: Penn State Abington, Spalding University, and State University of New York at Cobleskill.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(o) Exploratory Membership.

Management Council. The Council acknowledged the committee's report accepting the following institutions to the Division III exploratory process for the 2011-12 academic year.

- Georgetown College.
- Houghton College.
- Kentucky Wesleyan College.
- Sarah Lawrence College.
- Southern Virginia University.
- State University of New York at Canton.
- Valley Forge Christian College.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Tufano

Council Rep: Hoeg

(6) Nominating Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Davey, Hollomon Montgomery,

Council Reps: Glass, Khan

(7) Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC).

(a) Noncontroversial Legislation – Committees - Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Vacancies.

Management Council. The Management Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to shift the SAAC selection process wholly to the Division III Nominating Committee. Further, a student-athlete shall serve on the Nominating Committee in an ex-officio capacity to advice on selections to Division III SAAC.

The SAAC discussed the legislation requiring that the committee review and nominate candidates to fill committee vacancies. The committee indicated that committee nominations and selections should be handled in the same manner as other Division III committees. SAAC noted its preference for involvement in some capacity (e.g., ex-officio on student-athlete committee selections) to provide student-athlete specific guidance to the Nominations Committee.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Referral to NCAA Division III Nominating Committee: Student-Athlete Advisory Committee – Composition.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Division III Nominating Committee a request that it consider decreasing the ethnic minority composition requirement (NCAA Bylaw 21.9.5.10.1) for the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

The committee reviewed data related to ethnic minority enrollment at Division III institutions and current ethnic minority requirements for all Division III committees and Division I and II SAACs. The committee recognized that its ethnic minority composition requirement is high and creates administrative challenges and potential imposed commitments and appointments. The committee also recognized that it should be an advocate for diversity and have an ethnic minority composition requirement that is slightly higher than other committees. Therefore, the committee referred this issue to the Nominating Committee for a review and potential decrease.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Referral to NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee – Championships.

Management Council. The Council referred to the Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee a request that it review the current championship format for men's and women's swimming and diving and consider separating the championships.

The SAAC discussed the co-ed Division III Swimming and Diving Championships. The committee was concerned with several aspects that negatively affect student-athletes including crowded deck space that may result in reduced roster sizes, missed class time due to the expansion of days to accommodate both championships, less opportunity to rest between competition because of a condensed schedule and less opportunity for quality warm-up due to both genders sharing lanes. Further, it was noted that this model results in decreased opportunities for institutions with smaller facilities to host swimming championships and would have a disparate impact on single-gender institutions. There was a concern that one gender's student-athletes may receive more attention from coaches who are responsible for both men's and women's teams at a particular institution.

In its referral, the Management Council also requested the Swimming and Diving Committee consider the reason why these championships are currently combined, and to consider the impact of shared coaches and combined programs at the institutional level.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Response to Referrals from the Interpretations and Legislation Committee.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the SAAC responded to referral requests from ILC:

i. Text messaging to prospective student-athletes on club teams. The committee was in favor of allowing text messaging to prospective student-athletes that participate on a team coaches by a Division III athletics staff member for administrative-related purposes (e.g., cancel practice). The committee noted that its concerns relative to informality and personal intrusion were not relevant because a coach in this situation already has a relationship with the prospective student-athlete. The committee concluded practical aspects outweighed other communication concerns.

ii. Transfer exception for a student-athlete who is academically ineligible but has not used a season of participation. The committee discussed the potential for student-athletes to participate in a

nontraditional segment, render themselves academically ineligible, transfer and be immediately eligible for competition at a second institution. The committee noted that the division should hold student-athletes accountable for academic standards rather than providing opportunities to student-athletes who render themselves academically ineligible. The committee discussed the concept that a student-athlete should not be allowed to transfer out of trouble. Further, it noted that recently adopted legislation that allows participation in the nontraditional segment without using a season of participation produced an unintended loophole that should be closed. The committee would be in favor of adjusting the legislation to eliminate the unintended loophole. The committee reasoned that allowing student-athletes to transfer out of trouble is inconsistent with Division III values and emphasis on academics.

iii. Certified strength and conditioning coaches. The committee considered whether all strength and conditioning coaches should be certified in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use, similar to the requirement for head coaches. The committee noted that certification in first aid, CPR and AED use is a safety consideration and strength and conditioning coaches should be trained in these areas since they are now allowed to conduct voluntary workouts.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Special Olympics Partnership.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee received an update on the relationship between Division III Championships and Special Olympics. The committee reviewed its role and potential ideas for a continued, enhanced relationship between Special Olympics and championships. The committee noted that conducting Special Olympics activities and involving Special Olympics Athletes in Division III championship finals will be both rewarding for Division III student-athletes and Special Olympics Athletes. Further, these efforts work well with the division-wide initiative. SAAC members will work with NCAA championships staff, host conferences and institutions and state Special Olympics representatives to conduct Special Olympics events or involvement at all championships sites that are predetermined.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Committee on Women's Athletics and Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee structural changes.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee reviewed the proposed restructuring of the inclusion advocacy committees within the governance structure, and, while it recognized the value of combining the efforts of the two committees, it also noted the subcommittees" historical focuses and expertise have been on race and gender. SAAC supports the restructuring only if the nominations process for the newly composed committees specifically seeks individuals that are equipped to handle issues beyond the scope of race and gender (e.g., sexual orientation, disabilities).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(g) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee – Confederate Flag.

Management Council. The Council accepted the information that the committee discussed the NCAA championships policy regarding states that fly the Confederate flag. The committee discussed the meaning of and emotion evoked by the flag. It was noted the messaging that is associated with the Confederate flag is not only contrary to equity that intercollegiate athletics represents, but also may make student-athletes feel unsafe and unwelcome. The committee discussed whether the policy should extend to both predetermined and non-predetermined championships sites and determined that any institution in a state that has the Confederate flag as part of its state flag should not be considered a safe site for all student-athletes. It was recognized that institutions are not in control of state policy and there may be an impact on student-athletes that attend these institutions, but the committee concluded that when an institution hosts an event, the event and its related activities are not just conducted on the campus but are also in the town, community and state that may endorse anti-NCAA value(s).

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Ghiloni, Groddy

Council Rep: Gunning

(8) Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Huchthausen, Myers

Council Rep: Beron

(9) Interpretations and Legislative Committee (ILC).

(a) 2012 NCAA Convention Legislation – Personnel – Conduct of Athletics Personnel – Sports-Safety Training for Certified Strength and Conditioning Personnel.

Management Council. The Council agreed to sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Division III Bylaw 11.1.6 (sports-safety training) to require certified strength and conditioning coaches to maintain certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use.

The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee reviewed NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2010-85 that requires strength and conditioning coaches that conduct voluntary weight training and conditioning to hold an active certification in first aid, CPR and AED use. The committee noted recent legislation that permits only certified strength and conditioning coaches to conduct voluntary workouts and agreed that first aid, CPR and AED certification would provide additional safety measures for student-athletes. The committee observed that some organizations that offer strength and conditioning certifications already require individuals to have some first aid, CPR and/or AED certification but it is unclear whether all entities require this and whether it needs to be active at all times. In light of these considerations, the committee agreed that limiting first aid, CPR and AED certification requirements only to certified strength and conditioning personnel is the option that is most consistent with the current legislation requiring certification only for head coaches and provides additional health and safety benefits to student-athletes.

Minimal for certification ($0 to $30 per coach) since institutions can outsource the training or train their own staff as instructors. Moreover, this is not an annual cost since first-aid certification is valid for three years and CPR certification is valid for one to two years (depending on the certifying organization). Division III grant and initiative funding may be used to offset these costs.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) Approval of Official Interpretation – Contact at Prospective Student-Athlete's Practice or Competition Site.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Contact at Prospective Student-Athlete's Practice or Competition Site (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed it is permissible for an institution's coach to contact a prospective student-athlete at the prospective student-athlete's away-from-home practice or competition site provided the competition has been completed, the prospect has departed the meeting and dressing facility and the prospective student-athlete's coach has released the prospective student-athlete. A prospective student-athlete may be "released" for purposes of allowing contact even if the prospective student-athlete will be traveling back home with the team. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaw 13.1.4.2 (practice or competition site)]

The committee reviewed issues that arose from the 2011 NCAA Regional Rules Seminars and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Approval of Official Interpretation – Expenses for Mandatory Medical Exam Prior to Becoming a Student-Athlete.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Expenses for Mandatory Medical Exam Prior to Becoming a Student-Athlete (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that an institution may conduct a medical examination of a prospective student-athlete during an official or unofficial visit, or in conjunction with the prospective student-athlete's arrival to campus prior to the beginning of preseason practice and/or the academic year, provided the prospective student-athlete has been accepted for regular full-time enrollment at the institution. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.02.6 (prospective student-athlete), 13.11.1 (prospective student-athlete defined for tryout-rule purposes), 16.4 (medical expenses), 16.5.1-(a) (preseason practice expenses) and a staff interpretation (6/9/04, Item Ref. 1)]

The committee reviewed issues that arose from the Regional Rules Seminars and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

President Council. No action was necessary.

(d) Approval of Official Interpretation – Uniformity of Participation Awards.

Management Council. The Council approved the committee's recommendation to archive an official interpretation (12/13/91, Item Ref. e) and approve the following official interpretation:

Uniformity of Participation Awards (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that a member institution, conference or other approved agency may provide different partcipation awards based on the year or class (e.g., freshman, sophomore, first year participant, second year participant) of a student-athlete, provided the awards are uniform for all recipients within a given year or class. [Reference: NCAA Division III Bylaw 16.1.2 (uniformity of awards) and a staff interpretation (12/13/91, Item Ref. e), which has been archived)]

The committee reviewed issues that arose from the Regional Rules Seminars and agreed to issue a formal official interpretation on this particular question.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(e) Approval of Official Interpretation – Demonstrators at Coaches' Clinics and Institutional Camps and Clinics.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Demonstrators at Coaches' Clinics and Institutional Camps and Clinics (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that a prospective student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator during a coach's clinic or session conducted by an institutional staff member or during an institutional camp or clinic without such participation constituting an impermissible tryout. An enrolled student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator at an institutional camp or clinic with staff members from any institution. Further, an enrolled student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator at a coaches clinic; however, if the coaches clinic is conducted outside the playing season, the student-athlete may serve as a demonstrator only if he or she participates with coaching staff members from institutions other than his or her own. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 13.11.2 (prohibited physical activities involving prospective student-athletes), 13.11.3 (permissible physical activities involving prospective student-athletes), 13.12.2.1 (prospective student-athletes), 17.1.1.1 (playing season – athletically related activities), and a staff interpretation (2/14/90, Item Ref. a) which has been archived]

The committee re-examined its recent official interpretation regarding demonstrators at coaches' clinics [Reference: 2/10/11, Item Ref. 14-b]. The rationale for the original interpretation was to address whether the tryout prohibition allowed prospective student-athletes and/or enrolled student-athletes to be used as demonstrators at coaches' clinics. The wording of the original interpretation unintentionally seemed to prohibit an enrolled student-athlete from serving as a demonstrator at a coach's clinic or an institutional camp or clinic that is governed by Bylaw 13.12, if in either circumstance the student-athlete were to serve as a demonstrator for his or her own coach. The committee noted that Bylaw 13.12.2 specifically allows both prospective student-athletes and enrolled student-athletes to be employed at an institutional camp or clinic, and Bylaw 13.12.2.2.1(c) implies that enrolled student-athletes can be used as demonstrators at an institutional camp or clinic. The committee further noted that Bylaw 17 specifies that outside of the playing season, |student-athletes may be employed in camps and clinics but are prohibited from participating as campers in their own institution's camp or clinic. For these reasons, prohibiting student-athletes from serving as demonstrators for their own coaches at coaches' clinics is consistent with the legislation, but prohibiting demonstration for a student-athlete's own coach at the institution's camp or clinic is contrary to the legislation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(f) Approval of Official Interpretation – Playing Season Waivers.

Management Council. The Council approved the following official interpretation:

Scope of Playing-Season Waivers for Institutions with Nontraditional Academic Calendars (III). The NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee confirmed that the scope of playing-season waivers for institutions with nontraditional academic calendars shall extend only to those situations in which the institution's nontraditional academic calendar interferes with its ability to adhere to playing season regulations, as opposed to a one-time or limited request which is handled through a separate waiver provision. [References: NCAA Division III Bylaws 5.4.1.7 (review authority of Management Council) and 17.1.13 (playing-season waiver)]

The committee noted the NCAA Division III Management Council Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee has more expertise in addressing adjustments to the playing season regulations for schools with nontraditional academic calendars, thereby establishing a waiver that could apply for as long as the institution needs, provided its academic calendar did

not change. This type of waiver can be distinguished from the authority of the NCAA Division III Management Council Subcommittee for Legislative Relief which is designed to address unique circumstances that warrant relief only on a limited or one-time basis. Further, the Subcommittee for Legislative Relief has oversight of all operating by-laws and, therefore, is not a substantive authority on any given bylaw.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. Association-Wide and Common Committees.

Staff Liaisons: Klossner Wilfert

Council Rep: Martinez

(1) Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (CSMAS).

(a) Student-Athlete Sickle Cell Train (SCT) Status.

Management Council. The Council approved a recommendation to sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to require a sickle cell solubility test (SCT) as part of NCAA Bylaw 17.1.5 (mandatory medical examination) unless documented results of a prior test are provided to the institution or the student-athlete declines the test and signs a written release.

The committee believes that requirements for 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 and Division III 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 dependant on the division. In addition, student-athletes' positive SCT tests are not dependant 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 that 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 and III 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.

The effective date is August 2012 for all student-athletes, including both new and continuing student-athletes as well as those trying out for a Division II team in the 2012-13 academic year.

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.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention.

(b) Football Preseason Conditioning.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept and legislative format a noncontroversial proposal to amend the football preseason period to allow a one-hour conditioning test (e.g., speed, conditioning, agility) period and a two-hour practice period to occur only on the first day of the five-day period as an option to the current three-hour practice period.

The committee discussed allowing a conditioning test (e.g., speed, conditioning, agility) period the day before the first preseason practice day in Division III; however, further discussion narrowed the option for Division III to only allowing this option to occur on the first day of the five day acclimatization period or on any single day of the five day period. A three-hour recovery period would still need to be applied between the test period and the practice session that day. Division I currently allows a one-hour conditioning session and two-hour practice session during the five-day acclimatization period as an option to the single three-hour practice period. The intent of the conditioning test is to serve as a brief assessment of an athlete's physical preparedness for beginning the rigors of the practice period and not as a conditioning session. Student-athletes performing under expectations should not be punished or required to perform additional physical activity beyond what is required for the rest of the team as the accumulated effects of this additional workload can increase an athlete's risk of injury. The committee discussed the importance of having consistency across divisions for issues impacting student-athlete well-being. During any part of a new practice period, institutions should consider factors of increased risk such as student-athletes within underlying medical conditions (e.g., sickle cell trait, previous heat illness, flu, medications, etc.)

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(c) Certification Standards for Strength and Conditioning Personnel.

Management Council. The Council received an update that the committee developed an educational piece about appropriate certification standards for strength and conditioning personnel. This resource was developed in light of recent legislative action to permit strength and conditioning coaches to conduct out of season workouts. The resources will be distributed to the Division III membership in the coming weeks.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Tufano

Council Rep: Klika

(2) Honors Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Ford, Bracken, Rossello

Council Rep: Ching

(3) Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC).

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Calandro, Smith, Suscha

Council Rep: Ingold

(4) Olympic Sports Liaison Committee (OSLC).

(a) NCAA Division I Bylaw 16.8.1.3-(c) Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition – Other Competition.

Management Council. The Council agreed to sponsor noncontroversial legislation to modify NCAA Bylaw 16.8.1.3-(c) to allow institutions to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete to attend two national team tryouts. Current legislation restricts institutions to providing a student-athlete the actual and necessary expenses to attend only one such national team tryout.

Current national team selection processes for many Olympic sports include more than one tier. Often, student-athletes who are athletically successful in the first tier are required to shoulder the financial burden in order to continue through additional levels within the existing tier structures or withdraw from the tryout process prior to being identified as viable national team candidates. While there is no standardized tier system among the various national governing bodies, an expansion of Bylaw 16.8.1.-(c) to allow for two team tryout competitions would allow student-athletes greater potential access to the current selection processes.

Institutions with eligible student-athlete(s) may bear the expense of additional national team tryouts. By covering the expense of a second national team tryout opportunity, institutions will better assist student-athletes to become viable national team candidates for international competition.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(b) World University Championships in Select NCAA Bylaws.

Management Council. The Council agreed to sponsor noncontroversial legislation to modify several NCAA bylaws that reference the World University Games to also reference the World University Championships.

The U.S. Intercollegiate University Sport Federation (USIUSF), an official member of the International University Sports Federation (FISU), is the rights holder to the U.S. World University Games and Championships. The USIUSF also works in collaboration with the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) and various National Governing Bodies (NGBs) to select U.S. national team members for the two events.

Budget impact varies, depending on the relevant bylaws and eligibility of student-athletes to participate in the World University Championships. By expanding the noted bylaws to include the World University Championships, student-athletes participating in baseball, softball, cross country and women's equestrian at the World University Championships will receive the same opportunities/benefits afforded student-athletes who participate in the World University Games.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Chichester

Council Rep: Hathorn

(5) Postgraduate Scholarship Committee.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Bracken

Council Rep: Thomforde

(6) Research Committee.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Miller, Smith

Council Rep: Ingold

(7) Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaison: Chichester

Council Rep: Hass

(8) Walter Byers Scholarship Committee.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the committee's report noting the 2011 honorees: Jessica Pixler, a track and cross country runner form Seattle Pacific University and David Gats, a swimmer from Ohio Wesleyan University.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Staff Liaisons: Barnhart, Holzman, Morrison

Council Rep: Hoeg

(9) Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA).

Management Council. The committee had no formal report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(10) Legislative Changes to MOIC and CWA.

Management Council. The Council approved in concept noncontroversial legislation to amend the composition of the CWA and MOIC by increasing the committee size from 15 to 18 respectively and specifying that the three additional positions be filled by a president from each division. Further, the distribution of members shall be equal among each division.

The Council reviewed a memorandum from Bernard Franklin, Executive Vice President of Membership and Student-Athlete Affairs/Executive Committee Liaison/Chief Inclusion Officer regarding committee restructuring. During its April 29, 2011, meeting the NCAA Executive Committee took action to restructure the inclusion advocacy committees within the governance structure. This action included the dissolution of the NCAA Executive Committee Subcommittee on Gender and Diversity Issues; the creation of a joint body of representatives of the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) and the NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee (MOIC) to provide broad oversight on inclusion matters and manage specific agendas beyond those related to race and gender; and the creation of joint CWA/MOIC subcommittees to focus on lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues, physical disability, and other inclusion priorities that may arise. Additionally, the committee noted the need for greater involvement of presidents within the substructure to provide guidance and insight at the policy development level.

The impetus for these changes was the adoption, in 2010, of an expanded framework around diversity, inclusion and gender equity that 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, and the internal reorganization of the NCAA's inclusion office to support this mission. 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 at the policy development level. Current composition requirements prescribe six members from Division I and three members each from Divisions II and III, with three unallocated members. The committee supports equal representation from all divisions on these very important issues. The addition of three members per committee will permit an equal distribution of six members from each division.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council acknowledged the memorandum from Bernard Franklin, Executive Vice President of Membership and Student-Athlete Affairs/Executive Committee Liaison/Chief Inclusion Officer regarding committee restructuring and the action taken by the Management Council. No additional action was necessary.

4. MANAGEMENT AND PRESIDENTS COUNCIL APPOINTEMENTS AND ELECTIONS.

a. Management Council Elections.

Management Council. The Management Council elected Jeff Martinez, Director of Athletics, University of Redlands as chair for the 2012-13 and Terry Rupert, Director of Athletics, Wilmington College as vice-chair.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Presidents Council Appointments.

Presidents Council. Upon recommendation by the Division III Presidents Council Nominations Subcommittee and approved by the Administrative Committee on June 9, President Thomas Chema was appointed to the Presidents Council fulfilling the remaining term of Ken Baker. President Chema's term expires at the conclusion of the January 2013 Convention, with an opportunity for reappointment.

The Presidents Council Nominations Subcommittee has begun to identify prospective candidates to serve on the Presidents Council beginning in 2012. Some mandatory requirements include: Region 3, ethnic minority, female representation; and large student representation (4,000 or larger). The Presidents Council Nominations Subcommittee will discuss these vacancies during its September teleconference.

5. DIVISION III INITIATIVES.

a. Virtual Focus Group Communication (VFG).

Management Council. The Council reviewed the VFG responses regarding Communication #22 and the best way to make the membership aware of Division III week, Division III Facebook and use of the Purchasing Website. The Council noted the importance of input from the membership serving on the focus groups.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. The Student-Athlete Experience: Finding from the CIRP Studies.

Presidents Council. The Council heard a presentation on research conducted by the Cooperative Institutional Research Program through the Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA. The surveys are similar to the NCAA's GOALS study. Overall, the studies strongly reinforced the positive experience of Division III student-athletes and statements included in the Division III strategic positioning platform. In particular, the findings indicate that Division III student-athletes:

(1) Are highly engaged in campus activities,
(2) Report active academic engagement and participation in academic "extras" that are offered by their institution (e.g., research with faculty, study abroad, capstone/senior thesis),
(3) Report significant gains in personal skills and attributes, including problems solving, ability to get along with other races and leadership, and
(4) Report significantly greater gains in time management and leadership when compared with non-athletes.

Further analysis of this data will be shared with the Council at a future meeting and findings from this study and NCAA GOALS will be shared with the membership at the 2012 Convention.

6. PROPOSED LEGISLATION FOR THE 2012 CONVENTION.

a. Membership-Sponsored Legislation.

[NOTE: The Management Council reviewed all proposals noting that three out of five proposals were not yet properly sponsored. The deadline to obtain co-sponsorship is September 1.]

(1) NCAA Membership – Conditions and Obligations of Membership – Eliminating Regional Rules Seminar Attendance Requirement.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the membership-sponsored proposal and forwarded it to the Membership Committee, ILC and SAAC to recommend an official position.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Playing and Practice Seasons – Required Day Off – Voluntary Strength and Conditioning Activities Prohibited During Required Day Off.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the membership-sponsored proposal and forwarded it to ILC, the Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee and SAAC to recommend an official position.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing Season Regulations – Postseason Activities Exempting One Postseason Championship from the 18 or 19 Week Declared Playing Season.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the membership-sponsored proposal and forwarded it to ILC, the Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee, SAAC and the Championships Committee to recommend an official position.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Eligibility – Hardship Waiver – Practice after Injury.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the membership-sponsored proposal and forwarded it to the Academic Issues Subcommittee, ILC, the Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee, and SAAC to recommend an official position.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Recruiting – Permissible Electronic Transmissions.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the membership-sponsored proposal and forwarded it to ILC and SAAC to recommend an official position.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

b. Governance-Sponsored Proposals.

(1) Convention Legislation – Recruiting – Electronic Transmissions – Allowing Text Messaging.

Management Council. The Management Council agreed to sponsor legislation for the 2012 NCAA Convention to permit the use of text messaging to a prospective student-athlete by athletics department staff. Text messaging would be regulated in the same manner as e-mail, for which there are no restrictions on the timing or amount of the communication.

In its review of a membership-sponsored proposal to permit both text messaging and the use of social media platforms (e.g., Facebook, Twitter), in the recruiting process, the Council recognized the need to sponsor a proposal specific to the use of text messaging. While the Council does not support the use of social media platforms in the recruiting process (because those platforms represent "personal" space that should not be invaded by coaches in the recruiting process) it agreed that the realities of how current prospect-aged individuals communicate, including a proclivity of text messaging, justifies lifting the division's current ban on texting. This position was similar to the unofficial position taken by SAAC, which included support to lift the ban on texting, while agreeing that the prohibition on the use of social media should remain.

The financial concerns that helped prompt the initial texting ban have since been mitigated by the evolution of text messaging plans, with most prospects now able to manage expenses through unlimited or low-cost texting options. Also, the Council noted the awkward nature of not being able to respond to a prospect in the same medium the prospect uses to contact a coach, and that texting will not completely replace use of the phone or other forms of communication in the recruiting process. To be a successful recruiter, coaches will still need to engage in direct contact. The Management Council used its new authority to sponsor legislation deemed operational in nature, and will communicate to the sponsors of the broader electronic transmission proposal their opportunity to collaborate on the text messaging portion of the Council's proposal, especially if the sponsoring conference is not able to find a co-sponsor to officially offer the proposal for the 2012 Convention.

The estimated budget impact would be minimal, because most athletics personnel and perspective student-athletes have unlimited or low-cost testing plans. The effective date would be August 1, 2012.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Convention Legislation – Division III Membership – Division III Philosophy Statement – Affirmation and Clarification of Undergraduate Experience, Broad-Based Athletics Programs, Participation in Non-Athletic Pursuits and Autonomy in Eligibility Standards.

Management Council. The Management Council reviewed draft language of philosophy statement amendments under consideration by the Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council agreed to sponsor legislation for the 2012 Convention to amend the Division III philosophy statement as follows:

- Emphasize that Division III intercollegiate athletics is primarily focused on a four-year, undergraduate experience.

- Clarify that initial-eligibility and continuing-eligibility progress-toward-degree standards are best left to institutional and conference autonomy.

- Express a commitment to supporting a student-athlete's right to meaningful participation in non-athletic pursuits as a method of enriching the overall educational experience.

- Clarify expectations related to broad based sports sponsorship.

The modifications address issues included in the Division's 2008 white papers on membership growth and are a reflection of strategies to best manage the large and diverse Division III membership under a unifying philosophy statement.

c. Review of Modifications of Wording Approved by the Management Council per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1.

(1) NCAA Membership – Conditions and Obligations of Membership – NCAA Convention – Attendance – Representation and Vote by Certified Voting Delegate.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to clarify that each year an active member institution must be represented by an institutional staff member who is certified as a voting delegate and who votes at the NCAA Convention Division III business session.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Eligibility – Outside Competition, Effects on Eligibility – Wrestling.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal in wrestling, to clarify that a student-athlete shall not participate in outside competition (on a team or as an individual) between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Amateurism – Promotional Activities – Permissible – Prospective Student-Athlete's Participation in Institutional Fundraisers or Promotional Activities.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to clarify that prospective student-athletes may not be involved in institutional fundraisers of promotional activities.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Review of Noncontroversial Legislation approved by the Management Council per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1.

(1) Division Membership – Establishment and Compliance with Division Criteria – Noncompliance and the Enforcement Process – Authority of the Membership Committee.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to specify that the NCAA Division III Membership Committee shall review issues regarding membership requirements that are discovered during the enforcement process and may impose penalties for not satisfying membership requirements.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(2) Eligibility – General Eligibility Requirements – Full-time Enrollment - Requirement for Practice or Competition – Exception – Cooperative Educational Work Experience.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to permit a student-athlete to practice and represent the certifying institution in intercollegiate athletics while he or she is enrolled in a cooperative educational work experience program (e.g., co-op, internship, practicum, student-teaching) offered by the institution that is a required part of the student's academic program, provided the student is considered to be enrolled in a full-time program of studies, regardless of the credit value of the program.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(3) Recruiting – Unofficial Visit – Entertainment/Tickets – General Restrictions – Complimentary Admissions for a Prospective Student-Athlete's Parents, Guardian(s), Spouse or Individual of a Comparable Relationship.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to permit an institution to provide additional complimentary admissions to a home athletics event to a prospective student-athlete's parents, guardian(s), spouse or individual of a comparable relationship accompanying the prospective student-athlete during an unofficial visit.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(4) Awards, Benefits and Expenses – Participation Awards – Maximum Value of Award – Increase to Maximum Values.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to increase the limitation on the maximum value of the annual participation award for a senior by $100 and to increase the limitation on the maximum value for all other participation awards by $50, as specified.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(5) Amateurism – Preferential Treatment – Exception – Designation of Fundraising Money – Prospective Student-Athletes.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal to permit the designation of funds raised through fundraisers for individuals before initial, full-time collegiate enrollment provided the amount raised does not exceed actual and necessary expenses for athletics participation.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

(6) Eligibility – Full-Time Enrollment – Requirement for Practice – Waiver – U.S. Olympic Committee/National Governing Body – Former Student-Athlete Practicing at Another Institution – Individual Sports and Women's Rowing.

Management Council. The Council adopted in legislative format a proposal in individual sports and women's rowing, in a case in which the U.S. Olympic Committee or national governing body in the sport has recommended the individual's participation, to permit a former student-athlete who has graduated and has no eligibility remaining to participate in organized practice sessions at an institution other than the one he or she previously attended.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

7. ASSOCIATION-WIDE UPDATES AND ISSUES.

a. Litigation Update.

Management Council and Presidents Council. The Councils accepted the Litigation Report. No action was necessary.

b. Governmental Relations Report.

Management Council and Presidents Council. The Councils accepted the Governmental Relations Report. No action was necessary.

c. Student-Athlete Affairs Advisory Group Meeting.

Management Council. The Council reviewed the group's report. No action was necessary.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

d. Transgender Student-Athlete Policy.

Management Council. The Management Council received an update from NCAA staff Karen Morrison and Mary Wilfert on the draft policy to assist the membership with questions about fair and equitable participation by student-athletes who identify as transgender, i.e., a psychological and social identification as a man or a woman that differs from the person's sex at birth. The Presidents Council endorsed the draft policy language at it April meeting, and the Executive Committee will review the policy for adoption at its August 2011 meeting. In addition to developing the policy, the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports and the Committee on Women's Athletics have developed a resource handbook and a video to help the membership with a full understanding of the issues.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

e. NCAA President's Report.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils received a visit from NCAA President, Mark Emmert, who provided an update on the Division I Presidential retreat.

f. Executive Committee Update.

Management and Presidents Councils. The Councils received a visit from NCAA Executive Vice President, Bernard Franklin, and Director of Membership and Student-Athlete Affairs, Delise O'Meally. The staff provided an update on the Executive Committee working group on membership issues, the upcoming policy consideration on transgender student-athlete eligibility, the NCAA's confederate flag policy and the continued study of its application to pre-determined and non pre-determined championship sites, a request to amend the composition of CWA and MOIC (see page 44), the NCAA communications task force, and the plans for the September NCAA Inclusion summit.

8. *OTHER BUSINESS.*

- **Conference Meeting Feedback.**

Management Council. The Council reviewed the input received from spring conference meetings.

Presidents Council. No action was necessary.

9. ADJOURNMENT.

Management Council. The Management Council meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

Presidents Council. The Presidents Council meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.