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On behalf of the NCAA Executive Committee, the Division I Board of Directors, the Divisions II and III Presidents Councils, the Division I Leadership Council and the Divisions II and III Management Councils, we extend a cordial invitation to each NCAA member to be represented at the Association's 106th annual Convention scheduled January 11 through 14, 2012, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

It is our pleasure to issue this Official Notice of the 2012 Convention. This publication is sent to the president or chancellor, faculty athletics representative, director of athletics, senior woman administrator and senior compliance administrator at each active NCAA Division III member institution, as well as to the officers of member conferences and provisional member institutions.

This Official Notice contains legislation for consideration at the Division III business session of the 2012 Convention, including amendments-to-amendments. It also contains the necessary information concerning the accreditation of delegates, voting procedures and other Convention policies. We encourage each member to review the information related to the activities in which you will be involved before attending the Convention. **It is particularly important that each Division III delegate bring a copy of the Official Notice to the Convention. The Official Notice will be the only publication containing all Division III Convention legislation.**

In addition to the consideration of legislation, Division III delegates also will participate in educational and discussion sessions about topics of concern within the division.

We hope you will arrive in time to join delegates from all divisions at the opening business session Thursday afternoon. The NCAA Delegates Reception will be held Thursday evening immediately after the opening business session, and the NCAA Honors Celebration will be held Friday evening.

We hope that each member of the Association will be in attendance at the 2012 Convention. We look forward to seeing you in Indianapolis.

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Chair, Division III Presidents Council

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Accrediting of Delegates

Association policy provides that the appointment of accredited and visiting delegates is the responsibility of the president or chancellor of each member institution or organization. **In November 2011, a link to the appointment of delegate website was emailed to the president or chancellor of all member institutions and organizations. The link was also made available on the NCAA website at www.ncaaconvention.com under the Appointment of Delegate section.**

It is important that the voting delegate be properly accredited, and this is to urge appointing officers to submit the completed forms to the NCAA national office at their earliest convenience.

An institution's or organization's president or chancellor shall appoint the voting and alternate delegates by completing the online delegate appointment form. The transfer of voting rights among the delegates is a matter of institutional discretion.

Please note also that the governance structure of each division urges member institutions to include women in their NCAA Convention delegations.

If an institution's or organization's president or chancellor fails to submit the online delegate appointment form, that institution's representatives will be registered as visitors until the president or chancellor certifies in writing the voting and alternate delegates. No other institutional representatives are permitted to complete a delegate appointment form.

Once the online delegate appointment form has been verified by the president or chancellor, no one may be added as a voting or alternate delegate without written instructions from that president or chancellor. Thus, no individual appointed as a visitor may become a voter or alternate without written authorization from the president or chancellor.

Visiting delegates, except in certain situations, do not have speaking privileges at the Convention.

At the Convention, each individual representing a member school or conference who registers will receive a white Convention badge designating the individual as a delegate. Voting delegates receive red lanyards and alternate delegates receive blue lanyards. Delegates with speaking rights receive green lanyards; delegates without speaking rights and other observers receive white lanyards. Speakers and presenters for menu sessions will receive badges with a green color designation. NCAA staff will receive badges with a royal blue color designation. Presidents and chancellors of member institutions will also have a purple color designation on their name badge signifying his or her professional title. [See Appendix J.]

The convention registration fee for NCAA members was \$250 for all delegates who registered on or before Friday, October 14, and \$375 for all delegates who register by Tuesday, December 6. Member registration fees after December 6 are \$500.

The registration fee includes one ticket to the following events: the Delegates Reception, Trade Show Reception, Delegates Breakfast

and Delegates Lunch, as well as all Convention materials. Honors Celebration and the Keynote and Association Luncheons tickets are included in the registration fee, but requests for tickets are available on a preregistration and space-available basis. Tickets for the Keynote and Association Luncheons are available when registering for the Convention. Notification regarding registering for the Honors Celebration will be sent in December.

Additional tickets for the Honors Celebration, Delegates Reception, Keynote Luncheon, Association Luncheon and Trade Show Reception tickets are \$40 each.

Meetings and Reservations

A listing of Convention meetings of the NCAA and its affiliated organizations was distributed to the membership in late September. Included was a reservation form and cover memorandum describing the procedure for making hotel reservations. If there is anything further the NCAA can do to facilitate your attendance at the Association's 2012 Convention, please call upon us.

Please note that the Convention schedule of events is available on the NCAA website (www.NCAA.org). In addition, the Convention Program (which will be distributed to delegates upon registering at the Convention) contains the most up-to-date schedule of meetings held in conjunction with the Convention. Please note that the Convention officially begins when the opening business session convenes at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 12. Adjournment of the Convention has been scheduled for January 14.

Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments to be considered at the 106th annual Convention begin on Page 1. All amendments, if adopted, become effective as indicated in each proposal.

It is important that each Division III delegate bring a copy of the Official Notice to the Convention, inasmuch as the Official Notice will be the only publication containing all Convention legislation for the 2012 Convention.

In accordance with the provisions of Constitution 5.3, an amendment to the Association's legislation may be proposed by the Division III Presidents Council or the Division III Management Council, by 20 active Division III member institutions eligible to vote on the matter or by two member conferences. The source is indicated in each proposal. When the Presidents Council or Management Council proposes an amendment originally recommended by a committee, the committee is indicated as well.

Please note that the Presidents Council or Management Council is authorized to distribute during division or general business sessions information detailing positions on key legislative proposals.

Amendments-to-Amendments

In Division III, all amendments submitted by the membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline were printed in the Initial

Publication of Proposed Legislation, which was provided to the membership August 15. Sponsors of those proposals were permitted to revise them in any manner until September 15. In the interim, the Division III Presidents Council and Management Council had until September 1 to submit its legislative proposals. All proposals were provided to the membership September 23 in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation.

The Division III Presidents Council and Management Council, any 20 Division III member institutions eligible to vote on a given issue or two member conferences had until November 1 to submit amendments to the original proposals, provided the amendment to the amendment did not increase the modification proposed by the original amendment. As a result of that deadline, all amendments-to-amendments are included in this Official Notice with the proposals they are intended to amend. Resolutions also were handled in accordance with those same deadlines and are included in this publication, if any. No additional amendments-to-amendments or resolutions are permitted for the 2012 Convention unless they are sponsored by the Presidents Council or Management Council and distributed before or during the business session.

Withdrawal of Proposal

Sponsors who intend to withdraw a proposal are urged to notify the academic and membership affairs staff as soon as possible before the business session of the Convention at which the proposal is scheduled to be considered.

Review of Interpretations

The Interpretations and Legislation Committee issues interpretations as to the scope, meaning or effect of the constitution and bylaws applicable to Division III. These rulings are subject to review by the membership upon the request of any member in accordance with NCAA Constitution 5.4.1.4. Any member to which an interpretation applies may request a review of the interpretation by making such a request in writing to the academic and membership affairs staff or the Association's Convention office before 1 p.m. on the day before the division business sessions of the Convention (Friday, January 13).

Interpretations to be Included in the NCAA Division III Manual

The Interpretations and Legislation Committee is authorized to recommend interpretations to be incorporated in the next printing of the NCAA Division III Manual. Such incorporations are approved by the Division III Management Council and are printed in Appendix B.

Noncontroversial Amendments Adopted by the Presidents and Management Councils

The Management Council is authorized to adopt, in the interim

between annual Conventions, noncontroversial legislative amendments that are necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the Association's legislation, per Constitution 4.8.3-(d) and 5.3.1.1.1. That authorization requires a three-fourths majority vote of the Management Council. The Management Council then submits to the next annual Division III business session the amendments that have been adopted under this authorization. The noncontroversial amendments adopted by the Management Council in 2011 appear in Appendix C. Approval of the Official Convention Notice during the Division III business session constitutes ratification of these amendments.

Modifications of Wording Adopted by the Presidents and Management Councils

The Management Council is authorized to adopt, in the interim between annual Conventions, proposals that are consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the original legislation if sufficient documentation and testimony exist to establish clearly that the original wording of the legislation was inconsistent with that intent, per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1. That authorization requires a two-thirds majority vote of the Management Council. The Management Council submits to the next annual Division III business session the amendments that have been adopted under its authorization. The modifications adopted in 2011 appear in Appendix D. Approval of the Official Convention Notice during the Division III business session constitutes ratification of these actions.

Order of Business

The opening business session of the 106th annual Convention will begin at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 12. The "State of the Association" address by the NCAA president will be presented orally during that general session.

The various proposals will be taken up in their numerical order, unless that order is changed at the Convention. All proposals are designated for a roll-call vote and the schedule for consideration of the proposals is identified in Appendix A.

Amendments for the annual Convention will be presented as indicated on page xi. For convenience of reference, an index (Appendix E) lists the proposals in the order in which they would appear in the constitution and bylaws in the NCAA Division III Manual.

In each grouping of related items (either amendments or amendments-to-amendments), the Association's established procedure will be followed. The membership will consider first the proposal that contemplates the greatest modification of the present circumstance, followed by other proposals in the order of decreasing modification. In some instances, when a proposal in such a grouping is adopted, those that follow in that grouping may become moot.

Voting Procedures

Methods of voting shall be in accordance with Constitution

5.1.4.4. Each voting delegate, when registering, receives a “voting paddle” for use in indicating the institution’s vote when the chair calls for a “paddle” vote. Voting delegates receive paddles of different colors to indicate their division status. Voting paddles for those with special voting circumstances are marked as set forth in Appendix J.

The Association uses an electronic voting system for roll-call and general votes. Upon registering for the Convention, each voting delegate moves to the general registration area to receive the voting unit that has been coded for that member institution or conference. The voting delegate must turn in the voting unit identification card contained in the registration envelope to obtain the electronic unit.

Amendments to federated provisions are voted on by divisions, with a majority vote required for approval. In such instances (federated provisions), each division is committed to the result of its counted vote. Any member that voted on the prevailing side can request reconsideration of the recorded vote on an issue at any time before the conclusion of voting during that session.

Each proposal includes a designation of the division(s) that votes on that item and the type of vote involved (federated or common).

Delegates are urged to register and receive their voting materials before the opening business session begins at 4 p.m. Thursday, January 12. In addition, all voting in the division business sessions shall be by show of paddles or by electronic roll-call votes, rather than by voice or hand.

Memorial Resolutions

At the time of the annual Convention, members of the Association honor by memorial resolution those persons closely associated with intercollegiate athletics who passed away during the year. It is requested that the names of persons to be honored in this manner be submitted to the NCAA, P.O. Box 6222, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206-6222.

Administrative Structure

Rosters of the NCAA Executive Committee, and Division III Presidents Council and Management Council, are listed in Appendix K.

Request for Interpretations

Division III member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Official Notice in advance of the Convention. Information about requesting an interpretation appears in Appendix L.

All such requests must be received in the national office not later than Friday, December 2, 2011. Requests will be considered by the Interpretations and Legislation Committee, and the decisions will be reviewed by the Division III Management Council in its pre-Convention meeting Wednesday, January 11. The resulting interpretations will be duplicated and distributed to the conferences for their pre-Convention meetings before the beginning of the division business session Saturday, January 14.

**TOPICAL GROUPINGS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
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Proposal Numbers

1 through 10

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General Topic

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General Grouping



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LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP

[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 **boldface** and underlined are to be added; and
- Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division III legislation.]

DIVISION III LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

The NCAA Division III Presidents Council has determined that it will deal primarily with those national issues in Division III athletics that prompt widespread concern among Division III presidents or chancellors.

Legislative proposals of a strategic nature developed by the Division III Management Council or by Division III committees reporting to it must be submitted to the Division III Presidents Council for review. They cannot be placed on the agenda for consideration at the Convention unless the Presidents Council agrees to sponsor them. Legislative proposals of an operational nature may be sponsored by the Management Council and placed on the agenda for consideration at the Convention.

The Division III Presidents Council has identified three proposals that it believes are of particular interest to Division III presidents or chancellors and has included them in the Presidents Council grouping. The Presidents Council identified all proposals in both the Presidents Council grouping and General grouping for roll-call vote.

PRESIDENTS COUNCIL GROUPING

NO: 2012-1 (NO. 2-10) **DIVISION 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**

Intent: To specify in the philosophy statement that Division III institutions: emphasize intercollegiate athletics as primarily focused on a four-year, undergraduate experience; encourage participation by maximizing the number and variety of sport offerings for their students through broad-based athletics programs; assure that student-athletes are supported in their efforts to meaningfully participate in non-athletic pursuits to enhance their overall educational experience; and exercise institutional and/or conference autonomy in the establishment of initial and continuing eligibility standards for student-athletes.

Bylaws: Amend 20.11, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.11 DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

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:

[20.11-(a) through 20.11-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Primarily focus on intercollegiate athletics as a four-year, undergraduate experience;

[20.11-(d) renumbered as 20.11-(e), unchanged.]

(ef) Encourage participation by maximizing the number and variety of *athletics opportunities* sport offerings for their students through broad-based athletics programs;

[20.11-(f) through 20.11-(g) renumbered as 20.11-(g) through 20.11-(h), unchanged.]

(i) Assure that student-athletes are supported in their ef-

forts to meaningfully participate in non-athletic pursuits to enhance their overall educational experience;

[20.11-(h) through 20.11-(i) renumbered as 20.11-(j) through 20.11-(k), unchanged.]

(l) Exercise institutional and/or conference autonomy in the establishment of initial and continuing eligibility standards for student-athletes;

[20.11-(j) through 20.11-(o) renumbered as 20.11-(m) through 20.11-(r), unchanged.]

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.

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council.

Effective Date: Immediate.

Rationale: 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 and strategic positioning platform. These concepts address fundamental academic and educational principles the division has commonly relied upon in the past and it is appropriate to formally incorporate them into the philosophy statement. Additionally, clarification of the provision that institutions encourage participation by maximizing the number and variety of sport offerings is necessary based on the frequent, yet misused citation of this provision in efforts to expand the playing season or number of contests. This clarification more accurately reflects the legislative and philosophical history of the division to sponsor broad-based athletics programs.

Budget Impact: None.

NO. 2012-2 (NO. 2-1)

**NCAA MEMBERSHIP – MEMBER
CONFERENCE – CONDITIONS,
OBLIGATIONS, PRIVILEGES AND
AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION – CORE
INSTITUTION**

Intent: To align the membership requirements for a conference with the automatic qualification requirements for a conference, by doing the following: (1) confirming that member conferences must be comprised of at least seven core Division III institutions; (2) specifying that institutions may be a core member in only one multi-sport conference; and (3) specifying that a member confer-

ence is entitled to a two-year grace period if it fails to satisfy the membership requirements. Finally, any institution considered a core institution in more than one multi-sport conference prior to September 1, 2011, may continue as a core institution in those conferences for purposes of satisfying the automatic qualification and conference membership requirements.

A. Constitution: Amend 3.02.2, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.02.2 Legislative Body. A legislative body is an athletics conference that develops and maintains rules and regulations governing the athletics programs and activities of its member institutions.

[3.02.3.1 through 3.02.3.2 unchanged.]

3.02.3.3 Member Conference. A member conference is a group of **at least seven** colleges and/or universities that conducts competition among its members and determines a conference champion in one (**single-sport conference**) or more (**multi-sport conference**) sports (in which the NCAA conducts championships or for which it is responsible for providing playing rules for intercollegiate competition), duly elected to conference membership under the provisions of this article (see Constitution 3.3.3). A member conference is entitled to all of the privileges of active members except the right to compete in NCAA championships (see Constitution 3.3.2). **Additional standards related to size and division status are set forth in Constitution 3.3.** *Only those conferences that meet specific criteria as competitive and legislative bodies (see Constitution 3.02.1 and 3.02.2) and minimum standards related to size and division status (see Constitution 3.3.2.2.2) are permitted to vote on legislation or other issues before the Association.*

3.02.3.3.1 Single-Sport Conference. A single-sport conference is an NCAA Division III member conference that sponsors only one sport. A conference that sponsors one sport, but sponsors both men's and women's competition in that sport, is not a single-sport conference.

B. Constitution: Amend 3.3.1.2, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.3.1.2 Composition of Conference. *All of the members of the conference shall be active members of this Association, except that a conference with at least seven active members also may qualify as a member conference if it contains one or more provisional members.* **A conference shall be comprised of at least seven core institutions. A conference may include provisional members in addition to the seven core members.**

3.3.1.2.1 Core Institution. A core institution is an ac-

tive NCAA Division III member institution that is a member of an NCAA Division III conference and participates in that conference in more than one conference-sponsored sport. An institution may be a core institution in only one multi-sport conference. An institution that was considered a core institution in more than one multi-sport conference prior to September 1, 2011, may continue as a core institution in those conferences until it is no longer an active member of the particular conference.

3.3.1.2.2 Single-Sport Conference. Conference status may be granted to a single-sport conference provided it has seven active NCAA member institutions.

3.3.1.2.3 Institutions Competing in More Than One Conference. An institution may participate in single-sport conferences or as associate member in conferences in addition to the one in which it is considered core.

3.3.1.2.4 Grace Period. A conference shall continue to be considered a member conference for two academic years following the date it fails to satisfy the conference composition requirement. At the expiration of the grace period, the conference must meet the composition requirement to continue to qualify as a member conference.

C. **Administrative:** Amend 31.3.2.1.4, as follows:

[Roll Call]

31.3.2.1.4 Core Institution. For purposes of Bylaw 31, a core institution is an active NCAA Division III member institution that is a member of an NCAA Division III conference and participates in that conference in more than one conference-sponsored sport. **An institution may be a core institution in only one multi-sport conference. An institution that was considered a core institution in more than one multi-sport conference prior to September 1, 2011, may continue as a core institution in those conferences until it is no longer an active member of the particular conference.**

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Committee and Championships Committee)].

Effective Date: For the 2012-13 academic year.

Rationale: This amendment aligns the membership requirements of a conference with the benefits and privileges, including automatic qualification to championships, which it receives as a conference. The primary clarification is that an institution may only be a core institution in one multi-sport conference. This will establish stability in conference membership and require institu-

tions to be more strategic about alignments for purposes other than acquiring championships automatic qualification. Effectively, this amendment will eliminate the possibility of the “umbrella” conference model since it would not be possible for an institution to be considered a core institution in both the umbrella conference and one of the sub-conferences. The second primary change will extend the automatic qualification grace period to apply to the conference membership requirements for consistency. Finally, there are numerous editorial and reformatting changes in support of these two primary changes that are necessary to completely effectuate the intent of this proposal that will follow if this proposal passes for clarification purposes. This proposed legislation does not impact any existing “umbrella” conferences, but will affect future conference affiliations.

Budget Impact: None.

**NO. 2012-3 (NO. 2-9) PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS –
GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON
REGULATIONS – REQUIRED SICKLE-
CELL TESTING**

Intent: To require a sickle cell solubility test as part of the 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; applicable to all student-athletes beginning their initial season of eligibility and continuing student-athletes.

Bylaws: Amend 17.1.6.4, as follows:

[Roll Call]

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.

17.1.6.4.1 Sickle Cell Solubility Test. The examination or evaluation of student-athletes who are beginning their initial season of eligibility and students who are trying out for a team shall include a sickle cell solubility test, unless documented results of a prior test are provided to the institution or the student-athlete declines the test and signs a written release.

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports)].

Effective Date: August 1, 2012, for all student-athletes, including both new and continuing student-athletes.

Rationale: Requirements for sickle cell trait (SCT) status testing should be consistent across divisions. According to the 2011 membership survey, approximately 40 percent of responding Divisions II and III institutions currently confirm SCT status as part of their medical examination process. The potential for collapse and complications from SCT is not dependent on the division, sport, gender, or race. 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. Divisions II and III often have fewer sports medicine staff available during workouts; therefore, knowledge of SCT status for all 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, institutions are encouraged to educate student-athletes about the risks of the condition if the student-athlete elects to decline the test and sign a written release.

Budget Impact: SCT testing costs can range from \$15 to \$20 for the initial screening especially if negotiated with a laboratory or campus health clinic in advance. The costs are rarely covered by an individual'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.

GENERAL GROUPING

NO. 2012-4 (NO. 2-3)	AMATEURISM AND EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS – FINANCIAL DONATIONS AND ADVERTISING AND SPONSORSHIP OF NCAA CHAMPIONSHIPS – PROFESSIONAL SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS
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Intent: To specify that a professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an intercollegiate competition event, provided the organization is not publically identified as such; and that a professional sports organization 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; further, to eliminate the prohibition on sponsorship of NCAA championship activities or promotions by professional sports organizations or teams.

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.6.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

12.6.1 Professional Sports Organizations.

[12.6.1.1 unchanged.]

12.6.1.2 To Intercollegiate Event. A professional sports organization may *not* serve as a financial sponsor of an intercollegiate competition **event, provided the organization is not publicly identified as such. A professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an activity or promotion that is ancillary to the competition event and may be publicly identified as such.**

[12.6.1.3 unchanged.]

12.6.1.4 To Institution, Permissible.

(a) Funds. A member institution may receive funds from a professional sports organization, provided:

(1) The money is placed in the institution's general fund and used for purposes other than athletics; *or*

(2) The money is placed in the institution's general scholarship fund and commingled with funds for the assistance of all students generally; **or**

(3) The money is received by the institution as a result of the professional sports organization's financial sponsorship of a specific intercollegiate competition event and is placed in the institution's budget for the specific event, including ancillary activities and promotions.

(b) Professional Sports Memorabilia. An institution may receive sports memorabilia from a professional sports organization to be used in institutional (or departmental) fundraising activities.

12.6.1.5 To Conference, Permissible. A member conference may receive funds from a professional sports organization provided the money is received by the conference as a result of the professional sports organization's financial sponsorship of a specific intercollegiate competition event and is placed in the conference's budget for the specific event, including ancillary activities and promotions.

[12.6.1.5 through 12.6.1.6 renumbered as 12.6.1.6 through 12.6.1.7, unchanged.]

B. Administrative: Amend 31.1.11, as follows:

[Roll Call]

31.1.11 Restricted Advertising and Sponsorship Activities. The following activities are restricted when they occur in conjunction with NCAA championships. Other restrictions are set forth in the championships handbooks.

31.1.11.1 Advertising. Advertising policies of the Association are designed to exclude those advertisements that do not appear to be in the best interests of higher education. The NCAA president shall have the authority to rule in cases where doubt exists concerning acceptable advertisers and advertising copy of game programs, broadcasts and telecasts of NCAA championships; however, the following expressly are prohibited:

[31.1.11.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Cigarettes and other tobacco products; **and**

(c) Professional sports organizations or personnel (except as specified in the championships handbooks) in games other than licensed postseason football games; and

[31.1.11.1-(d) relettered as 31.1.11.1-(c), unchanged.]

[31.1.11.1.1 unchanged.]

31.1.11.1.2 Sponsorships. A championships activity or promotion may not be sponsored by liquor, tobacco, beer or wine companies *or by professional sports organizations or teams* at any time.

31.1.11.1.2.1 Professional Sports Organizations. A professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an NCAA Championship competition event, provided the organization is not publicly identified as such. A professional sports organization may serve as a financial sponsor of an activity or promotion that is ancillary to the competition event and may be publicly identified as such. The NCAA may receive financial contributions from a professional sports organization for sponsorship of a specific NCAA cham-

championship competition event, including ancillary activities and promotions.

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Championships Committee)].

Effective Date: Immediate.

Rationale: Current NCAA regulations limit the involvement of professional sports organizations as financial sponsors of intercollegiate events, including NCAA championships. In the case of NCAA championship events, these regulations limit the opportunities for the NCAA staff and/or local organizing committee, host institution and/or conference that administers a championship event in promoting the NCAA championship or related activities. Professional sports teams have been interested in advertising NCAA championships through their promotional channels (e.g., email to season-ticket holders, team website, newsletters), during their contests (e.g., public address announcements, video/message boards, promotional booth) or with their media partners. Partnering with professional sports organizations can help to increase exposure and fan interest for intercollegiate competition events, including NCAA championships, without compromising the Association's principle of amateurism. This legislation is specific to events and ancillary activities. It would not permit a professional sports organization to be a general financial sponsor of an institution, conference or the NCAA. It will remain impermissible for a professional team/organization to provide a direct financial donation to an institution, conference or the NCAA (other than as currently permitted). Finally, it will remain impermissible for a professional sports team/organization to use the names or likenesses of student-athletes in any manner.

Budget Impact: None.

NO. 2012-5 (NO. 2-2)	PERSONNEL – CONDUCT OF ATHLETICS PERSONNEL – CERTIFIED STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING COACHES – REQUIRED SPORTS- SAFETY TRAINING
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Intent: To require certified strength and conditioning coaches to maintain current certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use if they conduct voluntary strength and conditioning activities outside the playing season.

A. Bylaws: Amend 11.1.6, as follows:

[Roll Call]

11.1.6 Sports-Safety Training. Each head coach **and each certified strength and conditioning coach that conducts volun-**

tary strength and conditioning activities outside the playing season in accordance with Bylaw 17.02.1.1.1-(f) shall maintain current certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.02.1.1.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17.02.1.1.1 Exceptions. The following activities shall not be considered athletically related:

[17.02.1.1.1-(a) through 17.02.1.1.1-(e) unchanged.]

(f) Voluntary individual strength and conditioning activities conducted by strength and conditioning personnel who have received strength and conditioning certification from a nationally recognized certification program only during the institution's regular academic year (**see Bylaw 11.1.6 for additional certification requirements**); and

[Remainder of 17.02.1.1.1 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2012.

Rationale: Recent legislation permits certified strength and conditioning coaches to conduct voluntary workouts outside the declared playing season. Requiring current first aid, CPR and AED use certification for certified strength and conditioning personnel who conduct these voluntary workouts outside the playing season is consistent with current legislation requiring first aid, CPR and AED use certification for head coaches and provides additional health and safety benefits to student-athletes.

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.

NO. 2012-6 (NO. 2-7)

**PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS –
REQUIRED DAY OFF – VOLUNTARY
STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING
ACTIVITIES PROHIBITED DURING
REQUIRED DAY OFF**

Intent: 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.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.02.1.1.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17.02.1.1.1 Exceptions. The following activities shall not be considered athletically related:

- (a) Administrative and academic activities that are nonathletics in nature (e.g., academic meetings and compliance meetings);
- (b) Fundraising and community service activities not involving the use of athletics ability by student-athletes to obtain funds provided the activities receive approval from the institution's chancellor or president (or his or her designee) before the activity (see Bylaw 12.5.1.1 for restrictions on promotional activities);
- (c) Observation of an officiating clinic related to playing rules that is conducted by video conference and does not require student-athletes to miss any class time to observe the clinic;
- (d) Observation of enrolled student-athletes in organized competition (e.g., summer league), provided institutional athletics personnel do not direct or supervise the organized activity;
- (e) Voluntary individual workouts monitored for safety purposes by strength and conditioning personnel. If the strength and conditioning coach is also a coaching staff member for one of the institution's intercollegiate teams, the monitoring may occur only if that staff member performs monitoring duties for all student-athletes using the facility at that time; and
- (f) Voluntary individual strength and conditioning activities conducted by strength and conditioning personnel who have received strength and conditioning certification from a nationally recognized certification program only during the institution's regular academic year. **During the playing season, student-athletes are prohibited from engaging in these activities during the mandatory day off (see Bylaw 17.1.6). Outside the playing season, student-athletes are prohibited from engaging in these activities one calendar day per week.**
- (g) Observation of enrolled student-athletes in nonorganized sport-specific activities, provided:
 - (1) The documented job responsibilities for the coaching staff member include monitoring of an institutional facility for purposes of safety and facility security;
 - (2) The observation occurs while the coaching staff member performs this monitoring responsibility; and
 - (3) The observation occurs while the facility is open to all students.

This exception does not permit a coaching staff member to direct, supervise or provide instruction to student-athletes, but permits a coaching staff member to stop any activity that is dangerous to a student-athlete or other students.

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.4.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17.1.4.1 Required Day Off, All Sports. During the playing season (see Bylaw 17.1.1), all athletically related activities **and voluntary strength and conditioning activities conducted by strength and conditioning personnel per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.1-(f)** 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 **and voluntary strength and conditioning activities conducted by strength and conditioning personnel per Bylaw 17.02.1.1.1-(f)** 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.

Source: New England Collegiate Conference, New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference.

Effective Date: Immediate.

Rationale: The rule as currently written permits student-athletes to work out 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-athletes. 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.

Governance Structure Position: The NCAA Division III Management Council, the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee and the NCAA Division III Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee oppose this proposal. The Council and committees did not see a need to impose additional monitoring and compliance measures both in and outside the playing season to ensure that on one day a week, student-athletes do not engage in voluntary activities with a certified strength and conditioning coach. The Council and committees did not have any indication that these permissible activities were being abused and thus do not support legislation that would effectively impose additional compliance measures.

Budget Impact: None.

NO. 2012-7 (NO. 2-4) **RECRUITING – PERMISSIBLE
ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS**

Intent: 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.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.5.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

13.02.5.1 Permissible Recruitment Activities for Enrolled Student-Athletes.

Permissible recruitment activities for enrolled student-athletes are limited to the following:

- (a) **Telephone contact.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to receive telephone calls made at the expense of a prospective student-athlete at any time. Telephone calls made by enrolled students in accordance with an institution's regular admissions program directed at all prospective students shall be permissible. In addition, an institution may permit an enrolled student-athlete to telephone a prospective student-athlete at the institution's expense, provided the call is only for the purpose of recruitment and is with the full knowledge of the athletics department.
- (b) **Electronic *mail* transmissions.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to send any electronically *mail* transmitted correspondence to a prospective student-athlete for the purpose of recruitment.

[13.02.5.1(c)-(d) through 13.02.9.1 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.10, as follows:

[Roll Call]

13.02.10 Telephone Calls **and Electronic Transmissions.** **There are no restrictions on the timing of telephone calls** *All electronically transmitted human voice exchange (including videoconferencing and videophones) shall be considered telephone calls. All or electronically transmitted correspondence (e.g., electronic mail, facsimiles, instant messaging, text messaging and social networking websites) shall not be considered telephone calls to prospective student-athletes.*

13.02.10.1 - Timing of Telephone Calls. There are no restrictions on the timing of telephone calls to prospective student-athletes. See Bylaw 13.1.3 for information on permissible callers.

C. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.11, as follows:

[Roll Call]

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. Using a service or software that converts electronic mail into a text message when received by the prospective student-athlete is not permitted.

13.02.11.1 - Timing of Email and Facsimiles. There are no restrictions on the timing for sending emails and facsimiles to prospective student-athletes

13.02.11.2 - Exception – Electronic Transmissions by or to Individuals Diagnosed as Deaf or Hard of Hearing. Electronically transmitted correspondence in forms other than electronic mail and facsimiles may be sent to a prospective student-athlete if either the athletics department staff member sending the correspondence or the prospective student-athlete receiving the correspondence has been diagnosed as deaf or hard of hearing.

*13.02.11.3 **0.1** - Exception – Public Release of General Athletics Information Sent Through Electronic Transmission. Electronically transmitted correspondence in forms other than electronic mail and facsimiles may be sent to a prospective student-athlete by an institution's athletics department, or a campus department acting on behalf of athletics, provided the following criteria are satisfied:*

*(a) Any member of the general public may become a member of the group to which the electronic transmission is sent; **Ability of Prospective Student-Athlete to Decline Message or Subscription.***

*(b) **(a)** A prospective student-athlete who chooses to receive electronic transmissions through the electronic service must retain the ability to decline receipt of the communications at any time or may unsubscribe from the electronic service at any time; and*

*(c) **(b)** The content of any electronic transmission that is sent to a public group that may include prospective student-athletes must be the same for all members of the group (e.g., news alerts, admissions and alumni information, scores) and of a general nature.*

13.02.11.4 - Exception – After Receipt of Financial Deposit. On or after May 1 of a prospective student-athlete's senior year in high school, there shall be no limit on the forms of electronically transmitted correspondence that may be sent by an institution to a prospective student-athlete, provided the

institution has received a financial deposit in response to the institution's offer of admission.

[13.02.11.5 renumbered 13.02.10.2 unchanged.]

[13.02.12 through 13.02.12.2 renumbered 13.02.11 through 13.02.11.2, unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 13.1.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

13.1.3 Telephone Calls **and Electronic Transmissions** to Prospective Student-Athletes. An institution may permit a student-athlete, a staff member, or a representative of athletics interests to **send electronically transmitted correspondence and** telephone a prospective student-athlete at the institution's expense at any time, provided the *call communication* is only for the purpose of recruitment and is with full knowledge of the athletics department (see Bylaw 13.02.5.1). Violations of this bylaw shall be considered institutional violations per Constitution 2.8.1; however, such violations shall not affect the prospective student-athlete's eligibility.

Source: Little East Conference, St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Effective Date: Immediate.

Rationale: The nature and use of electronic transmissions has evolved in dramatic fashion over the past three years since this rule was enacted. Services such as Twitter and Facebook, and email services such as 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.

Governance Structure Position: The NCAA Division III Management Council and NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee determined that the complexity of the issues both for and against the use of social media in recruiting warranted taking no position at this time. The Council noted the

particularly historical importance of the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee's position regarding this topic and therefore will revisit this decision at its January meeting when it has the formal position from the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Budget Impact: None.

NO. 2012-8 (NO. 2-5) RECRUITING – ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSIONS – ALLOWING TEXT MESSAGING

Intent: To allow text messaging to be used in the recruiting process.

A. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.5.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

13.02.5.1 Permissible Recruitment Activities for Enrolled Student-Athletes. Permissible recruitment activities for enrolled student-athletes are limited to the following: [D]

- (a) **Telephone contact.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to receive telephone calls made at the expense of a prospective student-athlete at any time. Telephone calls made by enrolled students in accordance with an institution's regular admissions program directed at all prospective students shall be permissible. In addition, an institution may permit an enrolled student-athlete to telephone a prospective student-athlete at the institution's expense, provided the call is only for the purpose of recruitment and is with the full knowledge of the athletics department.
- (b) **Electronic *mail* transmissions.** It is permissible for an enrolled student-athlete to send electronic mail **or text messages** to a prospective student-athlete for the purpose of recruitment.

[13.02.5.1-(c) through 13.02.5.1-(d) unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 13.02.11, as follows:

[Roll Call]

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, **text messages** and facsimiles. An enrolled student-athlete may send electronic mail **and text messages** 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. *Using a service or software that converts electronic mail into a text message when received by the prospective student-athlete is not permitted.* [D]

13.02.11.1 Timing of **Electronic Transmissions**. There are no restrictions on the timing for sending emails, **text messages** and facsimiles to prospective student-athletes

13.02.11.2 Exception – Electronic Transmissions by or to Individuals Diagnosed as Deaf or Hard of Hearing. Electronically transmitted correspondence in forms other than electronic mail, **text messages** and facsimiles may be sent to a prospective student-athlete if either the athletics department staff member sending the correspondence or the prospective student-athlete receiving the correspondence has been diagnosed as deaf or hard of hearing.

13.02.11.3 Exception – Public Release of General Athletics Information Sent Through Electronic Transmission. Electronically transmitted correspondence in forms other than electronic mail, **text messages** and facsimiles may be sent to a prospective student-athlete by an institution's athletics department, or a campus department acting on behalf of athletics, provided the following criteria are satisfied:

- (a) Any member of the general public may become a member of the group to which the electronic transmission is sent;
- (b) A prospective student-athlete who chooses to receive electronic transmissions through the electronic service must retain the ability to decline receipt of the communications at any time or may unsubscribe from the electronic service at any time; and
- (c) The content of any electronic transmission that is sent to a public group that may include prospective student-athletes must be the same for all members of the group (e.g., news alerts, admissions and alumni information, scores) and of a general nature.

[13.02.11.4 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council.

Effective Date: Immediate.

Rationale: The realities of how current prospect-aged individuals communicate, including a proclivity of text messaging, justifies lifting the division's current ban on using text messaging in the recruitment process. The financial concerns that helped prompt the initial text messaging 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 awkward nature of not being able to respond to a prospect in the same medium the prospect uses to contact a coach, is not reasonable. Nor is it reasonable that athletics departments may not use a means of communication with prospective students that other campus departments, including admissions, are frequently using. This deregulation, however, does not extend to the use of social media platforms because those platforms represent

'personal' space that should not be invaded by coaches in the recruiting process. Text messaging will not completely replace the use of the telephone or other forms of communication in the recruiting process, but rather this deregulation merely allows a means of communication where the initial rationale for its prohibition is no longer reasonable.

Budget Impact: Minimal. Most athletics personnel and prospective student-athletes have unlimited or low-cost text messaging plans.

NO. 2012-9 (NO. 2-6) ELIGIBILITY - HARDSHIP WAIVER - PRACTICE AFTER INJURY

Intent: 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.

Bylaws: Amend 14.2.5.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

14.2.5.3 **Practice and** Eligibility for *Practice After Receipt of a Hardship Waiver*. A student-athlete *who is granted a hardship waiver may practice and/or participate in rehabilitative activities for the remainder of the season without using a season of participation. A student-athlete who competes in that sport during the remainder of the season shall use a season of participation, unless the competition meets an exception per Bylaw 14.2.4.1.1.* **who engages in physical activities with the team during official practice following the diagnosis of a season-ending injury or after the first half of the season as defined in Bylaw 14.2.5-(a), does not qualify for a hardship waiver. The following activities shall not preclude a student-athlete from qualifying for a hardship waiver:**

- (a) Nonphysical practice activities (e.g., team meetings, chalk talk, film review);**
- (b) Sport-specific drills and physical activities as a part of rehabilitation during the traditional segment provided it does not coincide with official practice activities and is conducted under the guidance of the athletic training staff or a physician; or**
- (c) Practice or competition exempted under Bylaw 14.2.4.1.1.**

Source: Midwest Conference, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Effective Date: August 1, 2012.

Rationale: 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.

Governance Structure Position: The NCAA Division III Management Council, the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee and the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee oppose this proposal. The Council and committees determined this proposal represents a rule for the minority of individuals that abuse the hardship rule to work around the "redshirt" prohibition. Generally, the current application of the medical hardship rule is effective for dealing with student-athletes that incur season-ending injuries. The impact of this proposal would result in taking away opportunities from the vast majority of student-athletes that comply with the rule.

Budget Impact: None.

NO. 2012-10 (NO. 2-8) PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – GENERAL PLAYING SEASON REGULATIONS – POSTSEASON ACTIVITIES – EXEMPTING ONE POSTSEASON CHAMPIONSHIP FROM THE 18- OR 19-WEEK DECLARED PLAYING SEASON

Intent: In all sports, to exclude from the 18- or 19-week declared playing and practice season, one postseason championship.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17.1.3 Postseason Activities.

[17.1.3-(a) through 17.1.3-(b) unchanged.]

- (c) *NCAA, NCCAA or NAIA* **Postseason** Championships Participation *in Team Sports*. Neither practice for nor participation in *any NCAA, NCCAA or NAIA* **one postseason** championship event is considered part of the institution's declared playing season;
- (d) Under Consideration for Selection to a *NCAA* Team **Post-season** Championship. A member institution that has reason to believe it is under consideration for selection to participate in *an NCAA* **a postseason** 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 one* weeks before the start of the **NCAA postseason** championship *in that sport*. **For the following postseason championships, practice may begin three weeks prior to the start of the postseason championship;**

(i) NCAA Championships;

(ii) NAIA Championships;

(iii) NCCAA Championships;

(iv) Non-NCAA championships in sports without an NCAA championship used for sports sponsorship purposes in accordance with Bylaw 20.11.3.1.1; and

(v) The National Collegiate Gymnastics Association national championship.

- (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 postseason** championship.
- (3) An institution that is not selected to participate in *the NCAA a postseason* championship may continue to practice or compete until the end of *that the NCAA* championship only if it has time remaining in its declared playing season.
- (e) **NCAA Postseason** Championships Participation in Individual Sports. Only appropriate squad members considered necessary for effective practice with the individual(s) preparing for *the NCAA a postseason* championships may continue to practice without counting such practice against the institution's declared playing-season limitation;

[17.1.3-(f) unchanged.]

- (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

[17.1.3-(h) renumbered as 17.1.3-(g), unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17.1.4.5.1.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

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):

[17.1.4.5.1.1-(a) through 17.1.4.5.1.1-(b) unchanged.]

- (c) *Season-Ending Tournaments***Postseason Championship**. Competition in one **post**season-ending tournament **championship** (e.g., NCAA championship, NAIA championship, NCCAA championship, **ECAC championship**). A **post**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* **championship event shall be a season-ending, invitational tournament scheduled to occur after a conference or independents championship and shall involve competition between teams that are not identified until the close of the regular season. The sponsoring organization and requirements for selection must be established prior to the first permissible contest date for the sport. The sponsoring organization may not consist solely of the members of any single conference that has already conducted a conference championship tournament or solely of a group of independents that have already conducted an independents championship tournament;**

[17.1.4.5.1.1-(d) through 17.1.4.5.1.1-(f) unchanged.]

Source: The Commonwealth Coast Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference.

Effective Date: August 1, 2012.

Rationale: The NCAA has allowed institutions to exempt participation in at least one postseason 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 postseason championship events, not a select few. It recognizes the value of the postseason championship experience to student-athletes, and provides a fair and consistent application for all sports.

Governance Structure Position: The NCAA Division III Management Council, the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee, the NCAA Division III Championships Committee and the NCAA Division III Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee oppose this proposal. The Council and committees are opposed to allowing additional avenues to extend the playing season. While this proposal would effectively only impact one existing postseason championship, there is concern this proposal would result in the creation of additional postseason opportunities. These opportunities would likely come with more missed class time for student-athletes and a financial impact to institutions.

Budget Impact: None.

Appendix A

Voting in Division III Business Session

The provisions of NCAA Constitution 5.1.4.3.2 specify that dominant legislation per Constitution 1 and 2 and elsewhere, and federated legislation determined by the Executive Committee to be contrary to the Association’s basic purpose, fundamental policies and general principles shall be acted upon by the divisions meeting in joint session. The provisions of Constitution 5.1.4.3.3 specify that federated legislation pertaining to a single division or more than a single division of the Association may be acted upon by the appropriate divisions during the separate divisional business sessions.

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**All proposals are designated by the Division III Presidents Council for roll-call vote.*

Appendix B

Interpretations to be Included in the 2012-13 NCAA Division III Manual

In accordance with its authority to recommend incorporation of interpretations in the next printing of the NCAA Division III Manual, the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee has recommended and the NCAA Division III Management Council has approved inclusion of the following in the 2012-13 Division III Manual. This will be referenced in the report of this Official Convention Notice during the 2012 Division III business session. Approval of this Official Notice will constitute the incorporation of these interpretations. If a delegate objects to incorporation of a particular interpretation, that objection should be raised at the time of the report of the Official Notice. (It is preferred that any delegate intending to raise an objection also inform a member of the academic and membership affairs staff of that intent before the Division III business session.) The Division III membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to incorporate the interpretation.

It should be noted that these interpretations already have been accepted by the membership, and the only issue concerning these interpretations that is before the Division III membership is whether they should be set forth in the 2012-13 Division III Manual and subsequent Division III Manuals. If the membership votes not to incorporate a particular interpretation into the Manual, the interpretation will still be binding on the membership; it simply will not be included in the 2012-13 Division III Manual.

For each of these interpretations approved by the Management Council, the provisions of Constitution 5.4.1.4 also would apply (i.e., any Division III member to which the interpretation applies may request a review of that interpretation at the 2012 Division III business session by making such a request in writing to the academic and membership affairs staff or the Association's Convention office before 1 p.m. on the day preceding the Division III business session of the Convention). If an interpretation is not challenged per Constitution 5.4.1.4 and the incorporation of the interpretation into the 2012-13 Division III Manual also is not challenged, it will appear in the 2012-13 Division III Manual as noted.

NO. I-2012-1

**EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS –
DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS –
AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION – SINGLE-
SPORT CONFERENCE**

Administrative: Amend 31.02, as follows:

31.02 DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS

31.02.1 Automatic Qualification. Automatic qualification is the automatic entry into a championship field by a team or individual student-athletes representing a member con-

ference recommended by the appropriate sports committee and approved by the championships committee (see Bylaw 31.3.2).

31.02.1.1 Single-Sport Conference. A single-sport conference is a conference that only sponsors one sport. A conference that sponsors one sport, but sponsors both men's and women's competition in that sport, is not a single-sport conference and does not qualify for a single-sport conference waiver for purposes of automatic qualification for either the men's or women's competition.

[31.02.2 through 31.02.3 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: This incorporation of the March 25, 2010, official interpretation (Reference: March 25, 2010, Item No. 6) into the legislation clarifies a single-sport conference as a conference that only sponsors one sport. A conference that sponsors one sport, but sponsors both men's and women's competition in that sport, is a multisport conference and does not qualify for a single-sport conference waiver for purposes of automatic qualification for either the men's or women's competition. However, it is permissible to establish two separate single-sport conferences (i.e., men's sport conference, women's sport conference) for purposes of requesting a single-sport conference waiver in each sport.

NO. I-2012-2

ELIGIBILITY – SEASONS OF PARTICIPATION; 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE – HARDSHIP WAIVER – CRITERIA FOR ADMINISTRATION OF HARDSHIP WAIVER – TRANSFER STUDENT-ATHLETES

Bylaws: Amend 14.2.5.2, as follows:

14.2.5.2 Criteria for Administration of Hardship Waiver.

[14.2.5.2.1 through 14.2.5.2.6 unchanged.]

14.2.5.2.7 Transfer Student-Athletes. The hardship-waiver criteria for a transfer student-athlete who suffers an injury or illness while attending an NCAA Division I or Division II institution may be based on the rule that would be most favorable to the student-athlete (the rule applicable to the division in which the injury or illness occurred or the Division III rule). The application of a particular division's legislation must include all the applicable elements of that divi-

sion's legislation, as opposed to selected elements of the legislation of each division.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: Incorporating this interpretation into the Manual provides greater clarity and notice to the membership as to the application of the hardship waiver legislation to transfer student-athletes.

NO. I-2012-3 RECRUITING – SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS – INSTITUTION'S SPORTS CAMPS AND CLINICS – RECRUITING ACTIVITIES

Bylaws: Amend 13.12.1, as follows:

13.12.1 Institution's Sports Camps and Clinics.

[13.12.1.1 through 13.12.1.4 unchanged.]

13.12.1.5 Recruiting Activities. Athletics department staff members shall not engage in recruiting activities during institutional sports camps or clinics. Non-athletics institutional staff members may present and provide general institutional information to camp participants.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: Incorporating this interpretation (Reference: February 4, 2011, Item No. 1) in the Manual provides greater awareness to the membership regarding the permissible recruiting activities that can occur during institutional camps and clinics.

NO. I-2012-4 AWARDS AND BENEFITS – HOUSING AND MEALS – MEALS IN CONJUNCTION WITH HOME COMPETITION

Bylaws: Amend 16.5.1, as follows:

16.5.1 Exceptions.

[16.5.1-(a) through 16.5.1-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Meals in Conjunction with Home Competition. The institution may provide meals to student-athletes at the institution's discretion on the day(s) of competition until they are released by institutional personnel. An institution shall not provide cash to student-athletes in lieu of meals during this time period. An institution, at its dis-

cretion, may provide a meal or cash, but not both, to student-athletes at the time of their release by institutional personnel.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: Incorporating this interpretation (Reference: October 26, 2010, Item No. 19) in the Manual provides greater clarity and notice to the membership regarding the permissible meals that may be provided to student-athletes in conjunction with home competition.

NO. I-2012-5 **ELIGIBILITY – SEASONS OF PARTICIPATION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE – ELIGIBILITY – FRACTION OF 10-SEMESTERS/15-QUARTERS REMAINING**

Bylaws: Amend 14.2.2, as follows:

14.2.2 Ten-Semester/15-Quarter Rule. A student-athlete shall complete his or her seasons of participation during the first 10 semesters or 15 quarters in which the student is enrolled in a collegiate institution in at least a minimum full-time program of studies, as determined by the regulations of that institution. For an institution that conducts registration other than on a traditional semester or quarter basis, the Management Council shall determine an equivalent enrollment period.

[14.2.2.1 unchanged.]

14.2.2.2 Fraction of 10-Semesters/15-Quarters Remaining. A student-athlete whose combination of semesters and quarters of previous enrollment leaves him or her with any fraction of the 10th semester or 15th quarter of eligibility at the beginning of his or her final semester or quarter may remain eligible for the entire semester or quarter.

[14.2.2.2 through 14.2.2.3.2 renumbered as 14.2.2.3 through 14.2.2.4.2, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: Incorporating this interpretation (Reference: August 30, 1982, Item No. r) in the Manual provides greater clarity and notice to the membership as to the application of the 10-semester/15-quarter rule in a situation where a fraction of participation remains.

Bylaws: Amend 14.7.3, as follows:

14.7.3 Exceptions – All Sports.

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

(g) **Triathlons.** A student-athlete may compete, as an individual or part of a team, in triathlons at any time during the calendar year subject to Bylaw 12 limitations. **If a student-athlete competes on a triathlon team, he or she must compete in all three legs of the triathlon in order to satisfy this exception.**

[14.7.3.1 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: Incorporating this interpretation (Reference: March 25, 2011, Item No. 12-a-3) in the Manual provides greater clarity and notice to the membership as to the application of the exception to the outside competition rule as it applies to team versus individual triathlon competition.

Appendix C

Noncontroversial Legislation Adopted by the NCAA Division III Management Council

Pursuant to NCAA Constitution 4.8.3-(d) and 5.3.1.1.1, the NCAA Division III Management Council has adopted the following noncontroversial legislative amendments during the past year. The Management Council is permitted to adopt such legislation if it is necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the Association's legislation. These actions will be referenced in the report of this Official Convention Notice during the 2012 Division III business session. Approval of the Official Notice will constitute ratification of these actions and incorporation in the 2012-13 NCAA Division III Manual. If a delegate objects to ratification of a particular amendment, that objection should be raised at the time of the report of the Official Notice. (It is preferred that any delegate intending to raise an objection also inform a member of the academic and membership affairs staff of that intent before the Division III business session.) The Division III membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to ratify that amendment.

NO. NC-2012-1	PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS - FOREIGN TOURS - SANCTIONED OUTSIDE-TEAM TOURS - LIMIT ON NUMBER OF STUDENT-ATHLETES - WOMEN'S ROWING
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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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

NO. NC-2012-2 AWARDS AND BENEFITS – EXPENSES TO RECEIVE NONINSTITUTIONAL AWARDS – ESTABLISHED REGIONAL, NATIONAL OR INTERNATIONAL AWARDS – ACTUAL AND NECESSARY EXPENSES PROVIDED BY INSTITUTION

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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

NO. NC-2012-3 RECRUITING - HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR CONTESTS - COACH AND ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT STAFF MEMBER INVOLVEMENT - ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL DUTIES

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*Any 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

NO. NC-2012-4 RECRUITING – FOUR-YEAR PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES – PERMISSION TO CONTACT – RESPONSE TO REQUEST AND HEARING OPPORTUNITY

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

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).

[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. **If an 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, permis-**

sion 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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 time frame.

Budget Impact: Minimal.

**NO. NC-2012-5 ELIGIBILITY – TRANSFER – FOUR-YEAR
TRANSFERS – ACADEMIC
REQUIREMENTS – EXCEPTION**

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, 14.5.5.1.2 or 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2011.

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.

**NO. NC-2012-6 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -
MEN'S VOLLEYBALL**

Intent: In men's volleyball, to amend the playing and practice seasons regulations, as specified.

A. 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).

17.25.87 - Number of Dates of Competition – *Women*

17.25.87.1 - 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 17.25.109**.

17.25.87.1.1 - 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 con-

tests 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.

~~17.25.87.2 - 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.~~108~~ Annual Exemptions – **Men and Women.**

17.25.~~108~~.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 17.25.8.1-(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.]

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 17.1.8, 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. 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2011.

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 that 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.

NO. NC-2012-7 COMMITTEES – SPORTS COMMITTEES WITH ONLY CHAMPIONSHIPS ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES – COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP – MEN’S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE

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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Championships Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

NO. NC-2012-8 MEMBERSHIP - DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATIONS - MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATION STATUS - NCAA REGIONAL RULES SEMINAR ATTENDANCE - PENALTY SANCTION

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.

[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 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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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 an institutional staff member(s) to attend an NCAA Regional Rules Seminar.

NO. NC-2012-9 RECRUITING – DEFINITIONS AND APPLICATION – PERMISSIBLE RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES FOR ENROLLED STUDENT-ATHLETES – ELECTRONIC MAIL

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.**

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

NO. 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

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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

**NO. NC-2012-11 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS –
GENERAL PLAYING-SEASON
REGULATIONS AND SPORT-SPECIFIC
PLAYING-SEASON REGULATIONS –
CONSOLIDATION OF GENERALLY
APPLICABLE REGULATIONS**

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.

Due to the length of this proposal, the entire text is not included in this publication but can be reviewed in its entirety on LSDBi.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2011.

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.

NO. NC-2012-12 DIVISION MEMBERSHIP – ESTABLISHMENT AND COMPLIANCE WITH DIVISION CRITERIA – NONCOMPLIANCE AND THE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS – AUTHORITY OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

**NO. NC-2012-13 ELIGIBILITY – GENERAL ELIGIBILITY
REQUIREMENTS – FULL-TIME
ENROLLMENT – REQUIREMENT FOR
PRACTICE OR COMPETITION –
EXCEPTION – COOPERATIVE
EDUCATIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

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.]

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.

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 **Nonrequired** 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 **enrolled** in an institution that determines enrollment hours on a basis other than a traditional semester or quarter hours or that conducts a **nonrequired** cooperative educational **work experience** 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

Budget Impact: None.

NO. 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

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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

Budget Impact: Increased cost of complimentary admissions provided to prospective student-athletes during unofficial visits.

NO. NC-2012-15 AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES – PARTICIPATION AWARDS – MAXIMUM VALUE OF AWARD – INCREASE TO MAXIMUM VALUES

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 championship contest or tournament	Institution – \$325 375 NCAA – No limit	Once per event	Institution NCAA	2
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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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 recogni-

tion (e.g., rings). Furthermore, the committee noted the inequity among the divisions if Division III does not increase the limits in a similar manner.

Budget Impact: Potential increase commensurate with increase in award value limitations.

NO. NC-2012-16 AMATEURISM – PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT, BENEFITS OR SERVICES – EXCEPTIONS – DESIGNATION OF FUNDRAISING MONEY – BEFORE INITIAL FULL-TIME COLLEGIATE ENROLLMENT

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.

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 ac-

tual 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2011.

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.

NO. 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

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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

Budget Impact: None.

**NO. NC-2012-18 PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS –
FOOTBALL – FIVE-DAY
ACCLIMATIZATION PERIOD – TESTING
SESSION ON FIRST DAY**

Intent: In football, on the first day of the five-day acclimatization period, to permit institutions to conduct either: (1) one on-field practice, not to exceed three hours in length, and one one-hour walk-through session or (2) one on-field testing session (speed, conditioning or agility tests), not to exceed one hour in length, one on-field practice, not to exceed two hours in length, and one one-hour walk-through session, provided student-athletes are provided at least three hours of continuous recovery time between each session.

Bylaws: Amend 17.9.2.2, as follows:

17.9.2.2 Five-Day Acclimatization Period. Preseason practice shall begin with a five-day acclimatization period for both first-time participants (e.g., freshmen and transfers) and continuing student-athletes. All student-athletes, including those who arrive to preseason practice after the first day of practice, are required to undergo a five-day acclimatization period. The five-day acclimatization period shall be conducted as follows:

(a) Institutions may not conduct conditioning, speed, strength or agility tests before the start of the five-day acclimatization period.

(b) During the first day of the five-day acclimatization period, an institution may conduct either:

(1) One on-field practice, not to exceed three hours in length. The institution may also conduct one one-hour walk-through session. No protective equipment (e.g., helmet, shoulder pads) may be worn, no equipment related to football (e.g., football, blocking sled) may be used and conditioning activities may not occur during the walk-through session. Student-athletes must be provided with at least three hours of continuous recovery time between the end of the first session and the start of the second session; or

(2) One on-field testing session (speed, conditioning or agility tests), not to exceed one hour in length, and one on-field practice, not to exceed two hours in length. The institution may also conduct one one-hour walk-through session. No protective equipment (e.g., helmet, shoulder pads) may be worn, no equipment related to football (e.g., football, blocking sled) may be used and conditioning activities may not occur during the walk-through session. Student-athletes must be provided with at least three hours of continuous recovery time between the end of each session and the

beginning of the next session (e.g. conditioning session, on-field practice, or walk-through session).

- (bc) During *each day* **the remainder** of the five-day period, participants shall not engage in more than one on-field practice, not to exceed three hours in length, and one one-hour walk-through session. No protective equipment (e.g., helmet, shoulder pads) may be worn, no equipment related to football (e.g., football, blocking sled) may be used and conditioning activities may not occur during the walk-through session. Student-athletes must be provided with at least three hours of continuous recovery time between the end of the *on-field practice first* session and the start of the *walk-through second* session (**e.g., on-field practice or walk-through session**).
- (cd) During the first two days of the acclimatization period, helmets shall be the only piece of protective equipment student-athletes may wear during the on-field practice session **and conditioning session** (as opposed to the walk-through session). During the third and fourth days of the acclimatization period, helmets and shoulder pads shall be the only pieces of protective equipment student-athletes may wear during the on-field practice session. During the final on-field practice session of the five-day period and on any day thereafter, student-athletes may practice in full pads.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: Under the current preseason model, an institution must conduct all on-field activities within the permissible three-hour time period, which means student-athletes must move directly from testing activities to the on-field practice session. Testing activities assist an institution in determining a student-athlete's physical preparedness for the rigors of preseason practice. Permitting institutions the discretion to conduct separate testing and practice sessions, which combined will not exceed three hours of on-field activity, while providing ample recovery time in between the sessions will minimize the health and safety risks to student-athletes and provide adequate preparation time for the regular football season in an environment that is in the best interests of the student-athletes' well-being and provide consistency across all divisions. 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. During any part of the playing season, institutions should consider factors of increased risk such as student-athletes with underlying

medical conditions (e.g., sickle cell trait, previous heat illness, flu, medications).

Budget Impact: None.

NO. NC-2012-19 AMATEURISM, ELIGIBILITY AND AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES – WORLD UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

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

A. Bylaws: Amend 12.1.6, as follows:

12.1.6 Elite-Level Participation. An individual (prospective student-athlete or enrolled student-athlete) may receive the following benefits at any time without jeopardizing his or her amateur status:

[12.1.6-(a) through 12.1.6-(c) unchanged.]

(d) Commemorative Items for Elite Events. Commemorative items incidental to participation in the Olympic Games, World University Games, **World University Championships**, Pan American Games, World Championships and World Cup events through the applicable national governing body (or, for foreign student-athletes, the equivalent organization of that nation). These benefits may include but are not limited to, apparel, leisure wear, foot wear and other items that are provided to all athletes participating in the applicable event;

[12.1.6-(e) through 12.1.6-(h) unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 12.5.1, as follows:

12.5.1 Permissible. Student-athletes may participate in promotional activities as provided in this bylaw. Any promotional activity not listed is specifically prohibited.

[12.5.1.1 through 12.5.1.10 unchanged.]

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

[Remainder of 12.5.1 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 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 through 14.1.8.1.7.2 unchanged.]

14.1.8.1.7.3 Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games, **World University Championships** or World Youth Championships – Practice or Competition. The Management Council, or a committee designated by the Management Council to act for it, may waive the minimum full-time enrollment requirement for any participant in the junior or elite levels of the Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games, **World University Championships** or World Youth Championships who, because of such participation, may lose eligibility for practice and competition in any sport.

[Remainder of 14.1.8.1.7 unchanged.]

D. Bylaws: Amend 14.2.4.3.2, as follows:

14.2.4.3.2 Activities Constituting Use of Season. An individual shall use a season of participation per Bylaw 14.2.4.3 if the individual engages in activities that meet any of the following criteria:

[14.2.4.3.2-(a) through 14.2.4.3.2-(d) unchanged.]

14.2.4.3.2.1 Competition Exceptions. A maximum one-time, one-year exception for participation in the following activities:

[14.2.4.3.2.1-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Athletics Activity Exception.

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

[14.2.4.3.2.1-(b)-(2) through 14.2.4.3.2.1-(b)-(3) unchanged.]

[Remainder of 14.2.4.3.2 unchanged.]

E. Bylaws: Amend 14.7, as follows:

14.7 OUTSIDE COMPETITION, EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY

The eligibility of a student-athlete who engages in outside competition (see Bylaw 17.02.9) is affected as set forth in the following regulations.

[14.7.1 through 14.7.2 unchanged.]

14.7.3 Exceptions – All Sports.

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

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

[14.7.3-(f) through 14.7.3-(g) unchanged.]

[Remainder of 14.7 unchanged.]

F. Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.3, as follows:

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

[16.8.1.3-(a) unchanged.]

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

[Remainder of 16.8.1.3 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: The World University Championships take place on even years and feature several individual sports and a few team sports that are not included in the World University Games, which occur on odd years. The World University Championships have grown and have had increasing success in recent years. They allow a large number of students and university sports leaders to unite on occasions other than at the World University Games. By expanding the noted bylaws to include the World University Championships, student-athletes participating in baseball, softball, cross country and women's equestrian will receive the same opportunities and benefits as student-athletes who participate in the World University Games.

Budget Impact: None.

**NO. NC-2012-20 COMMITTEES – ASSOCIATION-WIDE AND
COMMON COMMITTEES – MINORITY
OPPORTUNITIES AND INTERESTS
COMMITTEE AND COMMITTEE ON
WOMEN’S ATHLETICS – COMPOSITION**

Intent: To increase, from 15 to 18, the number of members of the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee and the Committee on Women’s Athletics and to specify that the composition of the committees shall be equally distributed among the three divisions; further, to specify that one member of each committee shall be a current chancellor or president.

Bylaws: Amend 21.2, as follows:

**21.2 ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES–GENERAL
COMMITTEES**

[21.2.1 through 21.2.3 unchanged.]

21.2.4 Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.

21.2.4.1 Composition. The Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee shall consist of ~~15~~ **18** members, **including one current chancellor or president from each division.** There shall be six members from Division I, ~~three~~ **six** members from Division II and ~~three~~ **six** members from Division III. One student-athlete from each division (who shall have one combined vote) shall serve as a member of the committee. The Division I student-athlete may serve on the committee up to one year after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility. The Division II and Division III student-athletes may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of their athletics eligibility. Committee membership shall include a minimum of eight ethnic minorities, including at least four males and four females.

[21.2.4.2 unchanged.]

[21.2.5 through 21.2.9 unchanged.]

21.2.10 Women’s Athletics, Committee on.

21.2.10.1 Composition. The Committee on Women’s Athletics shall consist of ~~15~~ **18** members, including **one current chancellor or president from each division.** **There shall be** six members from Division I, ~~three~~ **six** members from Division II and ~~three~~ **six** members from Division III. ~~Four~~ **Six** positions shall be allocated for men, ~~four~~ **six** allocated for women and ~~four~~ **six** unallocated. One student-athlete from each division (who shall have one com-

bined vote) shall serve as a member of the committee. The Division I student-athlete may serve on the committee up to one year after completion of his or her intercollegiate athletics eligibility. The Division II and Division III student-athletes may serve on the committee up to two years after completion of their athletics eligibility.

[Remainder of 21.2 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council.

Effective Date: Immediate (Composition will be achieved through normal attrition).

Additional Information: 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 in which 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 principle of inclusion should be implicitly expressed by the committees through equal representation from all divisions. The addition of three members per committee will permit an equal distribution of six members from each division.

Budget Impact: Total of approximately \$6,960 for six new committee members.

**NO. NC-2012-21 NCAA MEMBERSHIP – PROVISIONAL
MEMBERSHIP – FEE**

Intent: To specify that the amount of the fee for provisional members shall be determined annually by the Membership Committee based on an analysis of the expenses and benefits associated with the membership process.

Constitution: Amend 3.6.3.1.1, as follows:

3.6.3.1.1 Fee – Provisional Members. Each provisional member shall pay a nonrefundable fee of ~~\$20,000~~, as **an amount** determined **annually** by the Membership Committee and approved by the Management Council, **based on an analysis of the expenses and benefits associated with the membership process.** At the time of registration for the exploratory year, ~~\$500~~ **a por-**

tion of the fee, as determined by the Membership Committee, shall be due, and ~~\$19,500~~ **the remainder of the fee** shall be due by September 1 of the first year of provisional membership. Provisional members in years one through four shall also pay NCAA dues.

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Committee)].

Effective Date: September 1, 2012, for those beginning the exploratory year in the 2012-13 academic year.

Additional Information: Expenses to provide educational services and support to provisional and reclassifying members (see Bylaw 20.6.2.1.2) have increased due to changes in programming. Additionally, members' use of the NCAA mark provides financial value and benefits to institutions. This change in fee structure for provisional members recognizes the increased expenses as well as the value of the NCAA mark. Evaluating the expenses and benefits of NCAA membership on an annual basis is a more accurate means by which to assess an appropriate fee for provisional and reclassifying members.

Budget Impact: Periodic increase to institutions in the membership process.

**NO. NC-2012-22 AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -
EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE
INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND
COMPETITION - TWO NATIONAL TEAM
TRYOUTS**

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

Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.3, as follows:

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

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

(c) *One* **Not more than two** national team tryout competition events, **including events** from which participants are selected **for another tier of tryout competition or events from which final selections are made** for the national team that

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

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Olympic Sports Liaison Committee)].

Effective Date: Immediate.

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

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

**NO. NC-2012-23 COMMITTEES – ASSOCIATION-WIDE
COMMITTEES – RULES COMMITTEES
WITHOUT CHAMPIONSHIPS
ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES –
SWIMMING AND DIVING, TRACK AND
FIELD AND WRESTLING**

Intent: To establish a Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Rules Committee, a Men's and Women's Track and Field Rules Committee and a Wrestling Rules Committee, as specified; further, to establish a Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee, a Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee and a Division III Wrestling Committee, as specified.

A. Bylaws: Amend 21.3, as follows:

21.3 ASSOCIATION-WIDE COMMITTEES—RULES
COMMITTEES WITHOUT CHAMPIONSHIPS
ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

[21.3.1 through 21.3.10 unchanged.]

21.3.11 Swimming and Diving Rules Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Rules Committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows:

(a) Four members shall be from Division I, two members shall be from Division II, two members shall be from Division III and an additional member shall be a secretary-rules editor; and

(b) One member shall be elected chair.

21.3.12 Track and Field Rules Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Track and Field Rules Committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows:

(a) Four members shall be from Division I, two members shall be from Division II, two members shall be from Division III and an additional member shall be a secretary-rules editor; and

(b) One member shall be elected chair.

[21.3.11 renumbered as 21.3.13 unchanged.]

21.3.14 Wrestling Rules Committee. The Wrestling Rules Committee shall consist of nine members and shall be constituted as follows:

(a) Four members shall be from Division I, two members shall be from Division II, two members shall be from Division III and an additional member shall be a secretary-rules editor; and

(b) One member shall be elected chair.

B. Bylaws: Amend 21.4, as follows:

21.4 COMMON COMMITTEES—COMMITTEES WITH
PLAYING RULES AND CHAMPIONSHIPS
ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

[21.4.1 through 21.4.4 unchanged.]

21.4.5 Swimming and Diving Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee shall consist of 21 members and shall be constituted as follows:

(a) *There shall be at least two representatives from Districts 1 and 2; two representatives from District 3; two representatives from District 4; one representative from Districts 5, 6 and 7; and one representative from District 8;*

(b) *Eight members shall be from Division I and shall compose a Division I subcommittee. Four members of the subcommittee shall represent men's swimming interests and four members shall represent women's swimming interests, including three positions allocated for men, three allocated for women and two unallocated;*

(c) *Four members shall be from Division II and shall compose a Division II subcommittee. Two members of the subcommittee shall represent men's swimming interests and two members shall represent women's swimming interests, including one position allocated for a man, one allocated for a woman and two unallocated;*

(d) *Four members shall be from Division III and shall compose a Division III subcommittee. Two members of the subcommittee shall represent men's swimming and diving interests and two members shall represent women's swimming and diving interests, including one position allocated for a man, one allocated for a woman and two unallocated;*

(e) *An additional four members shall represent diving interests, two representing men's diving and two representing women's diving. Two shall be Division I representatives, one shall be a Division II representative, and one shall be a Division III representative; and*

(f) *An additional member shall be secretary-rules editor.*

21.4.6 Track and Field Committee, Men's and Women's. The Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee shall consist of 25 members and shall be constituted as follows:

(a) *There shall be at least four representatives from each of the following four geographical regions: Districts 1 and 2; District 3; Districts 4 and 5; and Districts 6, 7 and 8;*

(b) *Twelve members shall be from Division I and shall compose a Division I subcommittee. Six members of the subcommittee shall represent men's track and field interests and six members shall represent women's track and field interests, including four positions allocated for men, four allocated for women and four unallocated;*

(c) *Six members shall be from Division II and shall compose a Division II subcommittee. Three members of the subcommittee shall represent men's track and field interests and three members shall represent women's track and field interests, including two positions allocated for men, two allocated for women and two unallocated;*

(d) Six members shall be from Division III and shall compose a Division III subcommittee. Three members of the subcommittee shall represent men's track and field interests and three members shall represent women's track and field interests, including two positions allocated for men, two allocated for women and two unallocated;

(e) An additional member shall be secretary-rules editor; and

(f) A rules-editing subcommittee shall have five members, including two members appointed by the Division I subcommittee, one member each appointed by the Division II and Division III subcommittees, and the secretary-rules editor. The rules-editing subcommittee shall formulate playing rules subject to the approval of the full committee.

[21.4.7 through 21.4.8 renumbered as 21.4.5 through 21.4.6, unchanged.]

21.4.9 Wrestling Committee. The Wrestling Committee shall consist of 13 members and shall be constituted as follows:

(a) There shall be at least one representative from District 3 and at least two representatives from each of the following three geographical regions: Districts 1 and 2; Districts 4 and 5; and Districts 6, 7 and 8;

(b) Six members shall be from Division I, three members shall be from Division II and three members shall be from Division III; and

(c) An additional member shall be secretary-rules editor.

C. Bylaws: Amend Figure 21-1, as follows:

**FIGURE 21-1
Committee Membership**

Committee	Number of Members
Swimming and Diving Committee, Men's and Women's	<p>7 8, 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. three members shall represent men's swimming and diving interests and four members shall represent women's swimming and diving interests with two positions allocated for a man and three allocated for a woman and two unallocated with one additional member representing diving interests.</p>

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 four members shall represent men's track and field interests and four members shall represent women's track and field interests with four positions allocated for men and four allocated for women. There shall be one representative elected from each of the Division III track and field regions.*
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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Championships Committee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2012.

Additional Information: The creation of separate rules-making committees will result in 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 respective sport committees for Division I and Division III are also in support of this recommendation. The need for regular dialogue between the new rules-making committees and the sports committees will be important 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, as individuals are evaluated in the nominating process, attention should 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).

Budget Impact: None.

NO. NC-2012-24 COMMITTEES – STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – VACANCIES

Intent: To eliminate the requirement that the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee select representatives when a vacancy occurs and requires the NCAA Division III Nominating Committee perform this duty; further, to specify that a member

of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Nominating Committee for purposes of Student-Athlete Advisory Committee selections.

A. Bylaws: Amend 21.9.5.9, as follows:

21.9.5.9 Nominating Committee.

21.9.5.9.1 Composition. The Nominating Committee shall consist of eight members, including at least one former NCAA officer or former member of the NCAA Council or Management Council, one current member of the Management Council, and one president or chancellor. A maximum of five members may be at large. The committee shall include at least three men, at least three women, and at least one member of an ethnic minority. At least one member shall be appointed from each of the four geographical regions per Constitution 4.13.1.1. **A current member of the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity for selections to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.**

[21.9.5.9.2 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 21.9.5.10, as follows:

21.9.5.10 Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

[21.9.5.10.1 unchanged.]

21.9.5.10.2 Vacancies. When a vacancy occurs on the committee, a student-athlete representative shall be selected by the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee from a slate of nominees, subject to review by the Division III Nominating Committee and ratification by the NCAA Division III Management Council.

[21.9.5.10.3 through 21.9.5.10.5 renumbered as 21.9.5.10.2 through 21.9.5.10.4, unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Student-Athlete Advisory Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

Additional Information: Currently, the NCAA Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee is the only committee involved in the nomination, review and selection process when vacancies occur. For all other Division III committees, these matters are handled by the NCAA Division III Nominating Committee. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee noted vacancies for the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee should be handled in the same manner. Further, a current member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Nominating Committee for selections to the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee in order to provide student-athlete specific guidance to the Nominating Committee deliberations.

Budget Impact: None.

Appendix D

Division III Modifications of Wording Pursuant to NCAA Constitution 5.4.1.1.1

Pursuant to NCAA Constitution 5.4.1.1.1, the NCAA Division III Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, has determined that the following proposals are consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the original legislation and that sufficient documentation and testimony exists to establish clearly that the original wording of the legislation was inconsistent with that intent. These actions will be referenced in the report of this Official Convention Notice during the 2012 Division III business session. Approval of this Official Notice will constitute ratification of these actions and incorporation in the 2012-13 NCAA Division III Manual. If a delegate objects to ratification of a particular amendment, that objection should be raised at the time of the report. (It is preferred that any delegate intending to raise an objection also inform a member of the academic and membership affairs staff of that intent before the Division III business session.) The Division III membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to ratify that amendment.

NO. M-2012-1

**ELIGIBILITY – TRANSFERS –
FOUR-YEAR TRANSFERS – ELIGIBILITY
AT THE TIME OF TRANSFER**

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 14.5.4.1-(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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

NO. M-2012-2	NCAA MEMBERSHIP – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP – NCAA CONVENTION ATTENDANCE – REPRESENTATION AND VOTE BY CERTIFIED VOTING DELEGATE
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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.

Constitution: 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, An** 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 and, 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

NO. M-2012-3

**ELIGIBILITY – OUTSIDE COMPETITION,
EFFECTS ON ELIGIBILITY – WRESTLING**

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 17.28.2.

[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.

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: August 1, 2011.

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.

Budget Impact: None.

NO. M-2012-4	AMATEURISM – PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES – PERMISSIBLE – PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETE'S PARTICIPATION IN INSTITUTIONAL FUNDRAISERS OR PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES
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Intent: To clarify that prospective student-athletes may not be involved in institutional fundraisers or promotional activities.

Bylaws: Amend 12.5, as follows:

12.5 PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

[12.5.1 through 12.5.1.1.5 unchanged.]

12.5.1.1.6 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.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).

Effective Date: Immediate.

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.

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**Corresponding Legislative
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**Corresponding Legislative
Proposal Numbers**

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Appendix H

Convention Voting Procedures

The following terms and procedures involved in voting at NCAA Conventions have been reviewed by the Association's parliamentarian.

Significant Terms

1. **Vote Announcement**—After a paddle, roll-call or secret-ballot vote, the chair announces the vote and states whether the motion passed or failed.
2. **Retake a Vote**—A retake occurs when a paddle vote is taken again or when a paddle vote is counted. A retake may occur before the statement of the next question. After the statement of the next question, a motion to reconsider must be used to retake a vote. During a retake, voters may change their votes and new eligible voters may participate. A retake motion would be considered dilatory and, therefore, denied after a roll-call vote and out of order after a secret-ballot vote unless it is clear that the question was misunderstood or that fraud had occurred.
3. **Change a Vote**—In a paddle vote, a vote may be changed if a retake occurs or by rising for that purpose before the result is announced by the chair. After the announcement of the vote, but before the next question is stated, a change may be made only by permission of the assembly by a majority vote after a nondebatable motion. In a roll-call vote, a change may occur before closing the polls or the polls may be reopened to change a vote before the statement of the next question. In a secret-ballot vote, no change may be made once the ballot is cast. After the statement of the next question following a roll-call vote and after a vote is cast in a secret ballot, a vote change can occur only through a successful motion to reconsider.
4. **Recount a Vote**—This applies only to a secret-ballot vote. The ballots simply are counted again as cast and can be ordered only by a majority vote of the assembly.
5. **Closing the Polls**—For roll-call and secret-ballot votes, the polls are opened when the chair calls for the vote. When the chair has ascertained that all who so desire have voted or have changed their votes, the chair will state that the polls are closed. If there is disagreement on closing the polls, they may be closed by a two-thirds vote on a nondebatable motion to do so. Once the polls are closed, the polls may be reopened before the statement of the next question by majority vote on a nondebatable motion to do so. Once the polls are closed, however, the chair will move to the next item on the agenda.
6. **Statement of Next Question**—When a new motion is made and seconded, the chair will announce that “The motion before you is ... Is there any discussion?” This is the statement of the

next question and ends the opportunity to retake a vote or reopen the polls in regard to the preceding question.

7. **Reconsideration**—After the statement of the next question, only one motion to reconsider any foregoing question may be made before adjournment of the Convention by any member that voted on the prevailing side in the original consideration. Reconsideration of a vote taken in a division or subdivision business session must occur in that division's or subdivision's business session, except that such reconsideration also may occur during a designated period at the beginning of the general business session.

Voting Procedures

1. Paddle Voting

- a. The chair calls for a vote by paddles, and determines the result by sound or sight from the dais.
- b. The chair may retake the vote if there is doubt.
- c. The chair must have the vote counted if requested by a voting delegate. The chair also may choose to retake a paddle vote and have it counted by hand or by the wireless voting system.
- d. During a retake, new voters may participate or votes may be changed. Vote changes also may occur before the result is announced by the chair.
- e. A retake will not be permitted after the next question has been stated. A request to retake a counted vote will be regarded as dilatory by the chair and will not be allowed.

2. Roll-Call Voting (by Wireless Voting System)

- a. A roll-call vote may be designated by the Presidents Council or ordered by a majority of the voters, after a nondebatable motion to vote in that manner. If both a secret-ballot and a roll-call vote are moved, the assembly votes first on whether to vote by roll call. A motion to conduct a secret ballot on an issue designated for roll call by the Presidents Councils will be considered out of order.
- b. Once ordered, the chair shall call for a roll-call vote by use of the wireless voting system.
- c. The chair shall determine if everyone who wishes to has voted, or if anyone wishes to change a vote. When it appears that all ballots have been cast, the chair shall state that the polls are closed.
- d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. No new voters, changes or corrections to the prior question are permitted unless the polls are reopened, and such a motion will be out of order after the next question is stated by the chair. Once the new question is stated by the chair, the only way to return to any

foregoing question is by reconsideration, and only one motion for reconsideration of a given item is permitted.

- e. Abstentions will not be counted in the determination of a majority.

3. Ordinary Voting (by Wireless Voting System)

- a. An electronic vote may be designated by the Presidents Council or ordered by a majority of the voters, after a nondebatable motion to vote in that manner.
- b. Once ordered, the chair shall call for an electronic vote by use of the wireless voting system.
- c. The chair shall determine if everyone who wishes to has voted, or if anyone wishes to change a vote. When it appears that all ballots have been cast, the chair shall state that the polls are closed.
- d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. No new voters, changes or corrections to the prior question are permitted unless the polls are reopened, and such a motion will be out of order after the next question is stated by the chair. Once the new question is stated by the chair, the only way to return to any foregoing question is by reconsideration, and only one motion for reconsideration of a given item is permitted.
- e. Abstentions will not be counted in the determination of a majority.

4. Ballot Voting (Secret Ballot)

- a. A secret ballot may be ordered by the assembly before, during or after any ordinary vote (but before the next question is stated) by a majority vote on a nondebatable motion to do so.
- b. Once ordered, the chair shall ask for the vote by the wireless voting system. Votes will be tallied electronically, but only a summary printout of results will be reported.
- c. After the chair determines that all who wish to vote have voted, the polls shall be closed. A vote change shall not be permitted once the vote is cast.
- d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. Once the next question is stated by the chair, the polls may not be reopened for a new vote on the prior issue.
- e. Abstentions will not be counted in the total for determination of a majority.

Appendix I

2012 NCAA Convention Division III Delegates Schedule and Association-Wide Events

TIME	DIVISION III	ASSOCIATION-WIDE
Tuesday, January 10		
1 to 6 p.m.		NCAA Scholarly Colloquium on College Sports
Wednesday, January 11		
8:30 to 11:30 a.m.		NCAA Scholarly Colloquium on College Sports
10:15 to 11:45 a.m.		Association-Wide Programming
Noon to 1:30 p.m.		Keynote Luncheon
1:30 to 5 p.m.		Trade Show
1:45 to 2:45 p.m.		Association-Wide Programming
1:45 to 4 p.m.		NCAA Scholarly Colloquium on College Sports
3 to 4 p.m.		Association-Wide Programming
5 to 6:30 p.m.		Trade Show Reception
Thursday, January 12		
9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.		Trade Show
9:30 to 11 a.m.	Education Session: The Division III Student-Athlete Experience	
11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.	Education Session: Using Technology to Work Smarter on NCAA Division III Campuses	
12:30 to 2 p.m.		Association Luncheon
2 to 3:45 p.m.		New Presidents Orientation
2:15 to 3:45 p.m.	Education Session: NADIIAA and NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs staff – Division III Athletics Recruiting: Finding a Balance That Makes Sense.	
4 to 5:30 p.m.	(Doors open at 3:30 p.m.)	Opening Business Session
5:30 to 7 p.m.		Delegates Reception

TIME	DIVISION III	ASSOCIATION-WIDE
Friday, January 13		
7:30 to 9 a.m.		President's Breakfast
9 to 11:30 a.m.	Division III Issues Forum	
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Presidents/Chancellors Forum and Luncheon	
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.	Athletics Direct Report Forum and Luncheon	
1 to 5 p.m.	Conference Meetings	
1:30 to 4:30 p.m.		Executive Committee Meeting
4 to 5 p.m.	Provisional/Reclassifying Education Session	
6 to 8 p.m.		Honors Celebration
Saturday, January 14		
7 to 8:30 a.m.		Delegates Breakfast
8 to noon	Business Session	
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.		Delegates Luncheon

Appendix J

Convention Lanyards, Badges and Voting Paddles

The Convention lanyards are of various colors to designate the individual's delegate status. The designations are as follows:

Voting delegate Red lanyard
Alternate delegate Blue lanyard
Other delegate with speaking rights Green lanyard
Delegate without speaking rights and
other observers White lanyard

Only those persons with red, blue or green lanyards are permitted to speak in a business session.

In addition, the Convention badges are of different colors to designate the individual's status. The designation is as follows:

Delegate Orange designation on name badge
Speaker/Presenter Green designation on name badge
Media Brick designation on name badge
President/Chancellor Purple designation on name badge
NCAA Staff Royal blue designation on name badge
Vendor Teal designation on name badge
Trade Show Gold designation on name badge
Visitor Magenta designation on name badge

Following is a list of the different voting paddle colors in use at the 2012 NCAA Convention:

Orange Division II
Yellow Division III

Appendix K

NCAA Governance Structure Executive Committee

Chair—Edward Ray

Div.	Name, Institution	Conference	Term Exp.
FBS	Michael F. Alden, University of Missouri, Columbia	Big 12	April 2014
FBS	Judy Genshaft, University of South Florida	Big East	April 2013
FBS	Nathan O. Hatch, Wake Forest University	Atlantic Coast	April 2014
FBS	Sidney McPhee, Middle Tennessee State University	Sun Belt	April 2013
FBS	Harris Pastides, University of South Carolina, Columbia	Southeastern	April 2015
FBS	John G. Peters, Northern Illinois University	Mid-American	April 2013
FBS	Edward Ray, Oregon State University	Pac-12	April 2012
FBS	David Schmidly, University of New Mexico	Mountain West	April 2012
FBS	Lou Anna Simon, Michigan State University	Big Ten	April 2014
FCS	William R. Harvey, Hampton University	Mid-Eastern Athletic	April 2013
FCS	William A. Meehan, Jacksonville State University	Ohio Valley	April 2013
FCS	F. Ann Millner, Weber State University	Big Sky	April 2012
I	E. William Beauchamp, C.S.C, University of Portland	West Coast	April 2012
II	Drew Bogner, Molloy College	East Coast	January 2012
II	Richard Cole Jr., Dowling College	East Coast	January 2012
II	J. Patrick O'Brien, West Texas A&M University	Lone Star	January 2014
III	James E. Bultman, Hope College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic	January 2012
III	Chris Martin, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	January 2012
III	James Schmotter, Western Connecticut State University	Little East	January 2012

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Division III Presidents Council

Chair—James Bultman

Name, Institution	Term Exp.
Livingston Alexander, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford	January 2012
Robert Antonucci, Fitchburg State University	January 2015
James Bultman, Hope College.....	January 2013
Thomas Chema, Hiram College	January 2013
Charley Edmondson, Alfred University.....	January 2015
Sharon Herzberger, Whittier College	January 2015
Catherine Hill, Vassar College	January 2012
Marcia Keizs, York College (New York)	January 2012
Brian Levin-Stankevich, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire.....	January 2014
Jack Ohle, Gustavus Adolphus College.....	January 2014
Frederik Ohles, Nebraska Wesleyan University	January 2014
Rosalind Reichard, Emory and Henry College	January 2014
Lisa Marsh Ryerson, Wells College.....	January 2015
James Schmotter, Western Connecticut State University	January 2013
Ron Thomas, University of Puget Sound.....	January 2013

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Debbie Kresge, Executive Assistant of Division III

Division III Management Council

Chair—Chris Martin

Name, Institution	Term Exp.
Kitty Baldrige, Gallaudet University	January 2013
Kurt Beron, University of Texas at Dallas	January 2015
Stan Ching, Connecticut College	January 2014
#Karla Conrad, Manchester College	May 2012
Tim Downes, Emory University	January 2014
#Tucker Glass, Plattsburgh State University of New York	May 2013
Mary Jo Gunning, Marywood University	January 2012
Charles Harris, Averett University	January 2015
Marjorie Hass, Austin College.....	January 2015
Jan Hathorn, Washington and Lee University.....	January 2015
Portia Lowe Hoeg, Lake Forest College.....	January 2014
Fredina M. Ingold, Penn State University, Altoona.....	January 2013
Bill Klika, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham	January 2013
Chris Martin, College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin	January 2013
Jeff Martinez, University of Redlands.....	January 2013
Nancy Meyer, Calvin College.....	January 2015
Steve Nelson, University of Wisconsin, Superior	January 2012
Charlie Robert, Nichols College	January 2013
Terry Rupert, Wilmington College (Ohio).....	January 2012
Lou Stark, Coe College	January 2014
Chris Thomforde, Moravian College.....	January 2014

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Appendix L

Request for Interpretation

Member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Official Notice not later than December 2, 2011. Interpretations related to the proposed legislation in this Official Notice may be requested via electronic mail to the primary contact person at jmyers@ncaa.org. When submitting such a request, please include the proposal number in question, your institution's name and your title. All resulting interpretations will be distributed to the delegates in time for the conference meetings held in conjunction with the Convention.

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