ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. 2018-2022 site selection update. Staff reminded the committees of the delayed selection timeline for the 2018-2022 championship sites. Staff will share the new timeline as soon as it is available.

2. 2016 championship update. Staff provided updates on the site visit and first host call for the 2016 soccer championships in Kansas City. Planning is going well and the hosts and committees are excited about opportunities to enhance the championship at this site.

3. Season length proposal discussion. Pat Britz, Division II Championships Committee liaison for men’s and women’s soccer, joined the call to provide an update on the season length proposals the committees submitted after their joint annual meeting in January.

   The legislative proposal to extend the preseason by four days has been denied due to a lack of sufficient injury data. NCAA staff, in conjunction with the Division II Conference Commissioners Association and Athletic Directors Association will encourage the membership to submit injury data to provide committees with better research regarding injuries. The committees also requested that this topic be added to the agenda for the coaches association meeting in January.

   The Championships Committee referred the nonlegislative proposal to adjust the championship start date by a week to allow more rest between games back to the sport committees for further consideration and discussion. The soccer committees discussed the following championship format that would lengthen the regular season and postseason by one week.

   - Play the preliminary rounds over four weeks instead of the current three, with selections occurring a week later in November.
   - First/second-round games would be Thursday/Saturday or Friday/Sunday after selections (16 host sites for the women, 14 host sites for the men).
Third-round games would be the Saturday after Thanksgiving (eight host sites).

Quarterfinals would be the following Saturday (four host sites).

Semifinals and final would be the following Thursday/Saturday (one championship site), which is one week later than the current championship date.

The committees feel this format would allow the proper rest and recovery time for student-athletes. The four-week preliminary-round championship model would also limit the amount of travel/missed-class time. Additionally, this format would allow regional champions to be crowned in their own region, instead of a different region every other year.

The committees will review a travel analysis before proceeding with a formal recommendation.

Committee Chairs: Gary Hamill, Wingate University, South Atlantic Conference, men’s committee
J.B. Belzer, Regis University (Colorado), Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, women’s committee

Staff Liaison(s): Eric Breece, Championships and Alliances, men’s committee
Molly Simons, Championships and Alliances, women’s committee

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**Attendees:**
- J.B. Belzer, Regis University (Colorado); Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.
- Josh Doody, Notre Dame de Namur University; Pacific West Conference.
- James Moore, Georgian Court University; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.
- Lisa Liotta, University of Findlay; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
- Jennifer Rushhton, Armstrong State University; Peach Belt Conference.
- Lewis Theobald, University of Central Missouri; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.
- Kevin Alcox, Great Midwest Athletic Conference.
- Claudio Arias, Texas A&M International University; Heartland Conference.
- Rob Cummings, California State University, Monterey Bay; California Collegiate Athletic Association
- Gavin Donaldson, West Virginia Wesleyan College; Mountain East Conference.
- Bill Elliott, University of West Florida; Gulf South Conference.
- Gary Hamill, Wingate University; South Atlantic Conference.
- Matthew Thompson, University of the District of Columbia; East Coast Conference.
- Brock Wissmiller, Upper Iowa University; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.

**Absentees:**
- Dana George, Delta State University; Gulf South Conference.
- Jonathan Thayil, Shepherd University, Mountain East Conference.
**Guests in Attendance:**
Pat Britz, Division II Championships Committee Liaison.

**NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:**
Eric Breece, Championships and Alliances.
John Kuzio, Championships and Alliances.
Carla Laster, Championships and Alliances.
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