ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.
   - None.

2. Nonlegislative items.
   - Automatic qualification.
     (1) **Recommendation.** That the Big Ten Conference receive automatic qualification (AQ) to the 2017 National Collegiate Men’s Gymnastics Championships.
     (2) **Effective date.** 2017 championships.
     (3) **Rationale.** The conference meets the requirements of Bylaw 31.3.3 and has completed the automatic-qualification declaration form.
     (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.
     (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Review of agenda and meeting schedule. The committee reviewed the agenda and meeting schedule and made no adjustments.

2. 2015 committee meeting report. The committee approved the 2015 annual meeting report as written.

3. College Gymnastics Association (CGA) feedback. The committee reviewed proposals on different championship formats from the CGA membership. The committee tabled further discussion and will continue to review proposals in the next year.

4. Rules. The committee reviewed the NCAA rules modifications and made editorial updates and adjustments where necessary.

5. 2016 championships review. The committee reviewed the 2016 championships and noted highlights and challenges throughout the event.
a. **Selection process.** The committee reviewed the selection criteria and selection process for the championship and noted no changes.

b. **Schedule.** The committee discussed the need to clarify the transition time between events at the championship. The committee suggested the following schedule:

- Once the last score posts, stay at that event for one minute.
- After one minute, start the two-minute transition period. During this time, the student-athletes will present to the judges, and coaches may begin adjusting equipment.
- After the two-minute transition period, the three-minute warm-up will begin.

c. **Awards.** The committee discussed the need to establish a professional dress code for award presenters. All championship apparel should be distributed to the winning team before stepping onto the podium.

d. **Results display.** The committee noted that the team results should be displayed at all times during competition.

e. **Facility.** The committee agreed that having the podium greatly enhanced the experience for the student-athletes and spectators. The committee applauded the staff at The Ohio State University for providing a great championship experience for the student-athletes.

f. **Banquet.** Feedback indicated that the team photo was well received and should be included in the 2017 banquet. The emcee did a terrific job, although the length of the banquet is an area for improvement. The committee discussed that providing a quality banquet at a cost of $35 per person is challenging.

g. **Credentials.** The committee reviewed all credential types and clarified access for the “Floor Access Only” credentials. “Floor Access Only” credentials provide access to the competition floor and corral only during open practice and open warm-up sessions on competition days. All must exit the competition floor and corral at the start of timed warm-ups. On practice day, “Floor Access Only” credentials provide access to the corrals for the duration of practice and access to the competition floor only during open practice and open warm-up.

h. **Vendors.**

1. **American Athletic, Inc. (AAI).** The committee was pleased with the equipment and on-site support AAI provided during the championships.
(2) **ProScore.** The committee voiced concern with the malfunction of the ProScore system going into the last rotation of the championships. In discussing the matter with ProScore, their technician confirmed it was an issue with the wireless connection and coverage, not an issue with the server or equipment. ProScore will improve the wireless coverage going forward.

(3) **Road to Nationals.** The committee was pleased with the services provided by Road to Nationals and will work to make this a hub of information for men’s collegiate gymnastics. The fee for Road to Nationals will be paid directly by the NCAA.

i. **Web streaming.** The committee noted that web streaming viewership from the 2015 championships increased by 150 percent. The committee agreed that streaming each individual event increased the quality of the web stream. The committee discussed ideas to improve the web stream broadcast for viewers.

6. **Recommendations for 2017.** The committee reviewed the surveys and the after-action report from The Ohio State University and made several recommendations for the 2017 championships.

   a. The championships will begin at 6 p.m. Eastern time.

   b. Continue to use NCAA patches for student-athlete uniforms.

   c. The committee noted that any conference with an automatic qualifier should establish a tiebreaking procedure for determining the conference AQ.

   d. A site visit to the U.S. Military Academy is scheduled for October 11-12.

7. **Financial summary.** Staff provided the financial summary for the past nine years for committee review. The committee reviewed merchandise sales from the championship and noted an increase in sales from the previous year.

8. **Manual updates.** The committee reviewed updates for the pre-championships, committee operations, participant and host manuals.

9. **Technical report.** A representative from the National Gymnastics Judges Association (NGJA) participated via teleconference. The technical director reported on the officials and technical conduct of the championships. The following recommendations and comments were made:
a. For the second year, the ProScore system malfunctioned during the last rotation. ProScore must develop a backup or manual scoring system in the event the scoring system goes down during the championships.

b. There were 11 official inquiries during qualification rounds and six during the championships.

c. The judges preferred the new format for the championship, as it meant one less travel day.

d. The new national technical vice president for the NGJA (who also acts as the technical director for the NCAA championships) will attend the 2017 championships.

e. The committee and NGJA will collaborate to develop proposals for a revised judges selection process for the championships.

10. **Collaboration with USA Gymnastics (USAG).** The USAG was very helpful with marketing efforts for the championships. The timing and the location of the Region 5 competition greatly benefited ticket sales. The committee appreciated the involvement of former Olympians for autograph signing and awards presentations at the championships.


12. **Committee conference liaisons.** Mike Powell, who will join the committee on September 1, was approved to serve as the conference liaison for the Eastern College Athletic Conference. Mike Burns will serve as the liaison for The Big Ten Conference and Thom Glielmi will continue serving as the liaison for Mountain Pacific Sports Federation.

13. **Committee chair selection.** The committee approved Mr. Burns, head coach at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, to chair the committee for a second year.

14. **Future meetings.** The 2017 annual meeting will take place June 14-15 in Indianapolis.

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*Committee Chair*: Mike Burns, *University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Big Ten Conference*

*Staff Liaison*: John E. Bugner, *Championships and Alliances*

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