REVIEW OF 2017 NCAA CONVENTION PROPOSALS
PROPOSAL NO. 2-1:
INDEPENDENT MEDICAL CARE

Intent: To specify that an active member institution shall establish an administrative structure that provides independent medical care and affirms the unchallengeable autonomous authority of the primary athletics health care providers (team physicians and athletic trainers) to determine medical management and return to play decisions related to student-athletes.

An institution shall designate an athletics healthcare administrator to oversee the institution’s athletic health care administration and delivery.

Effective Date: August 1, 2017.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-2: ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

Intent: To define and clarify post-enrollment academic misconduct activities, the individuals to whom the activities apply and violations of such activities, as specified; further, to move the legislation related to pre-enrollment academic misconduct to Bylaw 14.

Effective Date: August 1, 2017.
Academic Misconduct vs. Impermissible Academic Assistance

- Academic Misconduct? (Yes/No)
  - No
    - Impermissible Academic Assistance?
      - No
        - NCAA Violation
      - Yes
        - NCAA Violation
    - Yes
      - NCAA Violation

- Institutional Staff Member? (Yes/No)
  - Yes
    - Errorneous Declaration of Eligibility? (Yes/No)
      - Yes
        - No NCAA Violation
      - No
        - No NCAA Violation
  - No
    - Fraudulent Credit or Transcripts
      - No NCAA Violation
      - Yes
        - NCAA Violation

1. Institution did not find academic misconduct.
2. Institutional staff member/booster involved.
3. Substantial assistance or exception.
4. Leads to eligibility.
5. Assistance/exception not generally available; AND
6. Assistance not permitted in Bylaw 16.3.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-3: COMPETITION RELATED EXPENSES FROM AN OUTSIDE SPONSOR

**Intent:** To permit an individual to receive actual and necessary expenses for outside competition from an outside sponsor other than an agent, a representative of an institution’s athletics interests or a professional sports organization provided certain requirements are met.

**Effective Date:** Immediate.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-4: SUMMER PRIZE MONEY IN INDIVIDUAL SPORTS

Intent: To specify that following initial full-time collegiate enrollment, an individual may accept prize money in individual sports based on his or her place finish or performance in an open athletics event, provided certain requirements are met.

Effective Date: August 1, 2017.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-4: SUMMER PRIZE MONEY IN INDIVIDUAL SPORTS

Requirements:

- The competition occurs outside the institution’s declared playing season during the institution’s official summer vacation period.

- The prize money does not exceed the student-athlete’s actual and necessary expenses.

- Prize money is provided only by the sponsor of the event.

- Actual and necessary expenses may not include the expenses or fees of anyone other than the student-athlete.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-5: PROFESSIONAL TEAM TRYOUTS

Intent: To specify that a student-athlete may try out with a professional athletics team or permit a professional athletics team to conduct medical examinations at any time, provided the student-athlete does not miss class.

Effective Date: Immediate
Intent:

- To eliminate the requirement that all money derived from a permissible promotional activity or project must go directly to the member institution, member conference or the charitable, educational, nonprofit or government agency;
PROPOSAL NO. 2-6: PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Intent:

- To eliminate the requirement that an authorized representative of the charitable, educational, nonprofit, or government agency must sign a release statement; and

- Require the institution to provide educational material to the charitable, educational, nonprofit or government agency notifying the entity of its obligation to ensure that a student-athlete’s name, likeness, appearance or image is used in a manner consistent with the legislation.

Effective Date: Immediate.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-7: PERMISSION TO CONTACT FOR NAIA STUDENT-ATHLETES

Intent:

- To specify that permission to contact is not required for a student-athlete transferring from a National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics institution.

- To require an institution’s athletics director (or an individual designated by the athletics director) to send a courtesy notification of recruitment to the NAIA institution prior to contact with an NAIA student-athlete.

Effective Date: Immediate, for prospective student-athletes transferring for the 2017-18 academic year and thereafter.
Intent: To specify that an institution may waive, pay in advance or guarantee payment of any institutional pre-enrollment fee for a prospective student-athlete who has signed a National Letter of Intent or the institution’s written offer of admission and/or financial aid or for whom the institution has received a financial deposit in response to its offer of admission.

Effective Date: Immediate.
Intent: To eliminate the conference restrictions on providing recruiting materials to prospective student-athletes (or his or her parents, legal guardians or coaches).

Effective Date: Immediate.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-10: FOOTBALL RECRUITING CALENDAR – CONTACT PERIOD

Intent: In football, to permit institutions to begin the contact period on the Monday after Thanksgiving.

- Under current legislation the contact period begins December 1.

Effective Date: August 1, 2017.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-11: MEDICAL HARDSHIP AND SEASON OF COMPETITION WHILE ELIGIBLE WAIVERS

Intent:

- To increase the maximum number of contests or dates of competition in which a student-athlete may participate and remain eligible for a hardship waiver or season of competition while eligible waiver to three contests or dates of competition or 30 percent of the maximum number of permissible contests or dates of competition set forth in Bylaw 17 in the sport.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-11: MEDICAL HARDSHIP AND SEASON OF COMPETITION WHILE ELIGIBLE WAIVERS

Intent:
- To specify that the student-athlete's participation must occur prior to the first competition of the second half of the playing season that concludes with the NCAA championship in that sport.

Effective Date: August 1, 2017, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2017.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-12: COUNT ONLY ATHLETICS AID TOWARD INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM EQUIVALENCY LIMITS

Intent: To specify that only institutional athletics aid counts toward individual and team equivalency limits.

Effective Date: August 1, 2018.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-12: COUNT ONLY ATHLETICS AID TOWARD INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM EQUIVALENCY LIMITS, CONTINUED

- Only four Division II institutions fully fund all of their sports (at or above 90% of team limit) and only 13% of teams are fully funded.

- According to the 2015 GOALS study, more than two-thirds of Division II student-athletes report that college costs were an important consideration in making their college choice.

- Men’s and women’s basketball and football student-athletes currently receive more than 80% of their financial aid package from athletics aid.

- 35% of these teams receive 99+% of their countable aid from athletics.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-12: COUNT ONLY ATHLETICS AID TOWARD INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM EQUIVALENCY LIMITS, CONTINUED

- Average athletics aid to counters (2012-13 and 2013-14):
  - Public institutions: $4,900.
  - Private institutions: $11,000.

- Private institutions also award three times as much other countable aid and more than twice as much exempt aid.
But because of higher grant-in-aid amounts, average counter must cover more costs at private schools than public schools:

- Public institutions: $10,960.
- Private institutions: $14,572.
PUBLIC VS. PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS

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Across all sports, the average team is funded at a 56% equivalency limit.

Only 20% of countable aid provided to student-athletes comes from sources other than athletics aid.

Division I considered a similar proposal, but tabled it in April to include in a full review of the financial aid legislation.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-13: ELIMINATE TERM-BY-TERM ATHLETICS AID AWARDS

Intent: To specify that an offer of athletically related financial aid shall not be awarded for a period of less than one academic year; further, to establish exceptions for providing athletically related financial aid for less than one academic year, as specified.

Effective Date: August 1, 2018.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-13: ELIMINATE TERM-BY-TERM ATHLETICS AID AWARDS

- According to the 2015 GOALS study, nearly one-half of Division II student-athletes have concerns about how finances will impact their ability to complete their degree.

- At least 75% of athletics aid awards are granted for a one-year term.
Exceptions for necessary flexibility would be established:
- Midyear enrollee;
- Final semester/quarter;
- Graduated during previous academic year and will exhaust eligibility during the following fall term;
- One-time exception; and
- Eligibility exhausted/medical noncounter.

Coaches would still be able to reduce or cancel aid during the period of the award if a student-athlete renders himself or herself ineligible, engages in serious misconduct, or voluntarily quits the team.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-14: PERMIT INCREASES OF ATHLETICS AID AT ANY TIME, FOR ANY REASON

Intent: To permit increases in athletically related financial aid at any time, for any reason.

Effective Date: August 1, 2018.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-15:
NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT

- All applicable sports, except golf, rowing and tennis:
  - 45-day window.
  - No more than 15 hours/week, four hours/day.
  - Require two days off per week.
In golf and tennis:
- 60-day window.
- No more than 20 hours/week, four hours/day.
- Require two days off per week.

In rowing:
- 65-day window.
- No more than 15 hours/week, four hours/day.
- Require two days off per week.
CURRENT LEGISLATION

- In sports other than golf, the nonchampionship segment allows practice and competition on 24 days in a 45-day window.

- On the other 21 days, the team is considered out of season. Skill instruction and strength and conditioning workouts are permissible.

- Golf allows 24 days in a 60-day window.

- Rowing allows 45 days in a 65-day window.
Comparision for All Sports Other Than Golf, Rowing and Tennis

Current Legislation
- 45-day window.
- One day off per week.
- 37-39 days of permissible activity:
  - 24 days of practice and competition.
  - 13-15 days of weightlifting, conditioning and skill instruction.
- Four hours per day.
- 20 hours per week.

Proposed
- 45-day window.
- Two days off per week.
- 31-33 days of practice activities and competition.
- Four hours per day.
- 15 hours per week.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-16: NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT COMPETITION IN ALASKA, HAWAII, PUERTO RICO OR CANADA

Intent:

- In team sports, to permit a team to miss class during the nonchampionship segment, once every four years, for competition in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico or Canada against active member institutions located in those areas.

- To permit teams from institutions located in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico or Canada to miss class for competition during the nonchampionship segment once every four years.

Effective Date: August 1, 2017.
Proposal No. 2-17: Division II Philosophy Statement

Intent: Amend the Division II philosophy statement to reflect recent brand enhancement efforts, including Make It Yours.

Effective Date: August 1, 2017.
PROPOSAL NO. 2-18: SPORTS SPONSORSHIP – WOMEN’S LACROSSE AND WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL

**Intent:** To amend Bylaw 20.10.3.3 (minimum contests and participants requirements for sports sponsorship), as follows: (a) In women’s lacrosse, to increase the number of contests for sports sponsorship from eight to 10 contests; and (b) In women’s volleyball, to increase the number of contests for sports sponsorship from nine to 15 contests.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2017.