ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.


(1) **Recommendation.** Sponsor legislation for the 2018 NCAA Convention to amend NCAA Bylaw 17.10.2.1 (first practice date – championship segment) to specify that a member institution shall not begin official preseason football practice sessions in the championship segment before 24 days prior to the first permissible contest or 10 days before the institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier.

(2) **Effective date.** Immediate.

(3) **Rationale.** The Interassociation Consensus on Year-Round Football Practice Contact for College Student-Athletes Recommendations included a recommendation to discontinue two-a-day practices. Accordingly, the Division II Presidents Council adopted emergency legislation (Proposal No. EM-2018-1) to eliminate multiple on-field practices in the same day. To account for that, the Division II Committee for Legislative Relief provided waiver relief for the 2018 football season only to allow institutions additional days for preseason practice. This proposal would amend Bylaw 17.10.2.1 to codify the waiver relief and state that the first practice date in the championship segment is 24 days before the first permissible contest date, or 10 days before the institution’s first day of classes, whichever is earlier. Adoption of this proposal would ensure that institutions are able to adhere to the emergency legislation without compromising their student-athletes’ preparedness for the upcoming season.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** Possible increase in institutional budgets due to additional days in the preseason.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** Student-athletes will benefit from additional days in the preseason.


(1) **Recommendation.** Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 17.18.5 (number of dates of competition) to specify that an institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in skiing during the permissible playing
season to 32 dates of competition for Alpine events and 32 dates of competition for Nordic events.

(2) **Effective date.** August 1, 2018.

(3) **Rationale.** The current legislation is more complicated than necessary and inherently leads schedule-makers to plan two-day ski meets, as such events offer exemptions that are different than those afforded to one-, three-, and four-day meets. Multiple-day ski meets are often scheduled to better manage venue resources and assist with travel and expenses for participants. However, many events are currently being conducted as two-day meets due to the exemption opportunity and the preference of schedule-makers to maximize their available competition time. This proposal will simplify the schedule-making process.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** The committee believes this will have a positive budget impact, as schedule-makers will no longer benefit from hosting or competing in two-day events. As a result, more one-, three-, and four-day events will be scheduled, allowing institutions to better allocated and use available funding through day trips and block scheduling opportunities.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** The anticipated student-athlete impact is minimal, as the committee does not foresee major changes to the amount of missed class time under this proposal.

2. **Nonlegislative items.**

   a. **Seeding the championship bracket in field hockey.**

      (1) **Recommendation.** That the Division II Field Hockey Committee seed the six teams (three from each region) selected to the championship bracket.

      (2) **Effective date.** 2017 championship.

      (3) **Rationale.** The recommendation provides the opportunity for the best teams to advance in the championship, and it helps minimize first-round conference matchups. The field hockey committee will use current selection criteria to evaluate teams and seed them one through six after the top three teams have been selected from each region. (Note: The Championships Committee, during its initial consideration of this recommendation in May, expressed concern about setting an unwanted precedent, but due to the uniqueness of the sport with just two regions and lower sponsorship – and after further discussion and review of membership input during its June in-person meeting – the committee agreed to support the proposal.)

      (4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.
(5) **Student-athlete impact.** The recommendation enhances the student-athlete experience by providing the top teams the deserved opportunity to advance to the championship game.

**b. Championship date formula in men’s and women’s tennis in non-festival years.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the championship date formula for the tennis championships in non-festival years be as follows:

- Preliminary Rounds: Saturday-Sunday and Monday-Tuesday prior to the finals (alternates by gender).
- Finals: Third Tuesday or Wednesday in May (alternates by gender).

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2020. (Note: The September 1, 2020, effective date was originally intended to accommodate conference scheduling. However, the Championships Committee asked staff to reach out to conference offices regarding potential facility conflicts, and if there are none, then the effective date would be September 1, 2018.)

(3) **Rationale.** Feedback from the tennis community indicates support for this proposal based on the following:

- It allows conferences/schools an extra week to conduct matches that may otherwise be cancelled due to weather. Inclement weather during the season forces schools to play three or more matches in the final weeks, which is detrimental to student-athletes.
- It provides consistency with the festival date formula.
- It positively affects the availability of officials. Currently, the men’s and women’s tennis regional dates overlap some Division I conference tournaments, making it difficult to find qualified officials available for assignments.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** The recommendation mitigates the need for schools to play multiple matches in the final weeks due to cancellations earlier in the season.

**c. Access ratios in men’s and women’s tennis.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the access ratios allow for a minimum of four teams per region and a maximum of eight teams per region.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2017.

(3) **Rationale.** Currently, access ratios vary between three and nine berths per region. With a three-team regional, one team receives an automatic bye into the finals. Additionally,
with a maximum of eight teams in a region, the tournament would be only two days instead of three.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** The recommendation increases equity, as all student-athletes would compete in regional play.

d. **Seeding the championship bracket in men’s and women’s tennis.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Division II Men’s and Women’s Tennis Committee seed the top four teams (25 percent) and conduct a blind draw for the remaining 12 teams. The committee will seed the teams based on the current selection criteria.

(2) **Effective date.** September 1, 2017.

(3) **Rationale.** Seeding the top four teams follows current protocol for tennis tournaments and is familiar to the tennis coaches. The committee will convene after regional play has concluded to set the bracket.

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** Seeding the top four teams at the finals site provides the most competitive matchups for the student-athletes at the championship.

e. **Waiver of sports sponsorship requirement for cross country and track and field.**

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Management Council issue a one-time waiver of Bylaw 18.4.2.1-(e) to permit student-athletes and teams from institutions that did not meet minimum sport sponsorship requirements in cross country, indoor track and field, or outdoor track and field during the 2016-17 academic year, to remain eligible for championship selection in 2017-18, provided all other championship eligibility requirements are satisfied.

(2) **Effective date.** Immediate.

(3) **Rationale.** This waiver would provide adequate opportunity for educating the membership on the application of the current rule and minimize the negative impact on student-athletes due to lack of current knowledge across the membership. (Note: The committee asked staff to communicate with the sport committee regarding potential issues that may arise with enforcing the legislation.)

(4) **Estimated budget impact.** None.

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** Student-athletes at institutions that meet the minimum scheduling requirements and other eligibility requirements for Division II cross country, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field during the 2017-18
academic year will remain eligible for championship selection if their institution failed to meet sports sponsorship requirements in the applicable sport in 2016-17.

f. Regional adjustments in wrestling.

(1) Recommendation. That Queens University of Charlotte be placed in the Midwest Super Region for championships selection purposes.

(2) Effective date. September 1, 2017.

(3) Rationale. Queens recently added wrestling as a varsity sport. With Shorter University dropping the sport, this placement allows the Midwest Super Region to remain at its current number of 15 institutions.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

g. Committee Appointments. Ratify the following sport and rules committee appointments, effective September 1, 2017, unless otherwise noted (Attachment A).

(1) Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Committee. Jessica Cousins, assistant track and field/cross country coach, Nova Southeastern University, to replace Michelle Edwards, former associate director of athletics, Saint Leo University (Note: This appointment completes the roster for the newly created Division II Men’s and Women’s Cross Country Committee). Ms. Edwards had previously been approved to serve on the committee but has since left the institution.

(2) Men’s Soccer Committee. Phillip Bilicci-Gard, associate director of athletics, Dominican University of California, to replace Robert Cummings, head men’s soccer coach, University of California, East Bay (effective immediately), due to Mr. Cummings having left the institution.

(3) Men’s and Women’s Swimming and Diving Rules Committee. Rebecca Tidwell, head swimming and diving coach, University of Nebraska at Kearney, to replace Todd Peters, head swimming and diving coach, Minnesota State University Moorhead, due to term expiration.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Welcome and review of agenda. Championships Committee Chair Jim Johnson welcomed the group and reviewed the agenda.

2. Strategic priorities. The group reviewed the strategic priorities for the division in 2016-17, focusing particularly on those related to the work of the Championships Committee.
3. **Committee reports.** The committee approved the reports from its May 4 teleconference and May 18 electronic vote as submitted.

4. **Budget and travel review.**
   
a. **Championships budget update.** Staff updated the committee on financial summaries for the 2016-17 fall and winter sport championships.

   b. **Planning and Finance Committee update.** The committee revisited a new standardized budget model to be applied consistently across the Association annually to fund championships travel. The new model allows previously allocated dollars for ground transportation at championships to be absorbed into the base budget. As a result, the $1.5 million currently allocated to championships for new or enhanced championships initiatives starting in Fiscal Year 2018-19 will not need to be allocated for local ground transportation reimbursement and can be used for other recommendations from the Championships Committee and sport committees. (The Planning and Finance Committee urged the Championships Committee to only bring forward the necessary budgetary requests and retain the remaining funds from the $1.5 million allocation for budget requests in future budget cycles.)

5. **Triennial budget requests.** Committee members revisited budget requests from sport committees and other groups for the 2018-21 triennium. To better inform final recommendations at the committee’s September meeting, members broke into subgroups to begin prioritizing requests. Committee members noted the importance of seeking feedback from the sport committee chairs during the September meeting.

6. **Regionalization Working Group update.** Committee members discussed the status of recommendations from the Regionalization Working Group and subsequent reaction from the membership, including the Division II Athletics Directors Association and the Division II Conference Commissioners Association. Committee members were asked to continue soliciting ideas for the working group to consider.

7. **Committee updates.**
   
a. **Membership Committee.** Staff updated the group on membership-related items, including the schools that have recently announced closure, merger or the intent to reclassify. The Membership Committee will meet in July to review schools currently in the membership process. Staff also noted that, as a result of the NCAA Board of Governors adopting the international membership pilot program as permanent legislation, the membership has submitted proposed legislation for the 2018 Convention regarding potential membership for institutions in Mexico.

   b. **Playing Rules Oversight Panel.** Staff reviewed reports from the panel’s recent teleconferences and provided an update on the background check pilot program for officials in various sports.
8. **Spring sport championship recaps.** The committee reviewed summaries from the 2017 spring sport championships as information only. Staff noted ongoing discussions regarding potential flexibility in the choice of memento for future championships participants.

9. **Digital streaming report.** Staff reviewed analytics and enhancements implemented for the winter sport championships.

10. **Automatic qualification and earned access.** The committee approved recommendations from sport committees regarding automatic qualification and earned access for championships in 2017-18 (see Attachment B).

11. **Sport committee reports/updates.**

   a. Men’s basketball.

   (1) **Practice start date.** The Championships Committee did not support a proposal from the men’s basketball committee to sponsor legislation for the 2018 Convention that would allow for 30 on-court practice sessions during a 42-day window before the first permissible contest. Championships Committee members expressed concern about extending the practice season.

   (2) **Transparency of data.** The Championships Committee did not support a recommendation from the basketball committee to provide team sheets, along with the current score reporting data, to teams after each of the ranking calls. Championships Committee members were concerned that the recommendation could potentially compromise the credibility of the regional advisory committees.

   (3) **Selection criteria.** The Championships Committee did not support a request for the basketball committee to use a new metric (the Kevin Pauga Index) on a pilot basis to help evaluate teams for selection purposes beginning in 2018-19. Championships Committee members do not believe that the new criteria would provide significant additional assistance.

   b. Football.

   (1) **Selection criteria.** The Championships Committee did not support a request for the football committee to use a new metric (the KPI) on a pilot basis to help evaluate teams for selection purposes beginning in 2018. Championships Committee members do not believe that the new criteria would provide significant additional assistance.

   (2) **Atmosphere at preliminary-round games.** The Championships Committee discussed a football committee recommendation to allow hosts at all games, except the national final, to apply game management operations similar to those used for a regular-season game, thus allowing hosts to create a “home atmosphere” rather than being held strictly to establishing a neutral environment per NCAA policy. The Championships
Committee tabled the matter, pending an internal review of whether the neutrality policy will be modified on an Association-wide basis.

12. Other discussion items.

a. Hosting status for Simon Fraser University. The committee reviewed and approved Simon Fraser’s ability to host postseason competition in the United States under specified conditions. Staff noted that Simon Fraser was granted some flexibility in 2016-17 regarding expenses associated with hosting events on the U.S. side of the border. However, the Championships Committee agreed that going forward, Simon Fraser will be reimbursed in the same manner as any other host regarding operational expenses associated with conducting the championship on campus.

b. Countable contests for institutions in Puerto Rico. Committee members discussed a recurring concern regarding how results in men’s and women’s basketball against institutions in Puerto Rico should count in championship selection criteria. Currently, they count in only the overall win/loss record and minimum number of Division II contests required for selection purposes for those Division II institutions competing against them. However, repeated efforts to encourage the three Puerto Rico schools to meet scheduling and score-reporting requirements have not produced desired outcomes. In June 2016, the Championships Committee agreed to recommend retaining the status quo for 2016-17 and 2017-18 but asked the Membership Committee to consider auditing the three Puerto Rico schools as a part of its annual evaluating process to determine whether they are meeting minimum membership requirements. That audit is ongoing.

c. Teams declining to participate in championships. The committee continued discussing situations when an NCAA member school opts out of participation in an NCAA championship for various reasons, despite current legislation requiring NCAA members to participate in an NCAA championship, if selected. All three divisions are currently reviewing these policies. As such, staff asked the committee for feedback on whether the policies should be modified or clarified and will share that input with staff from Divisions I and III before reporting back with a recommendation at a subsequent meeting.

d. Institutions exceeding the maximum number of contests. The committee discussed situations that arise in the rare instances when institutions exceed the maximum number of contests in various sports (due usually to an inadvertent mistake or misinterpretation in scheduling). Staff asked the committee for feedback regarding what a sport committee should do in these cases and will propose possible solutions at a subsequent meeting.

13. Video streaming at preliminary rounds. Prompted by a request in February from the women’s volleyball committee to require video streaming at regional sites beginning with the 2017 championship, the Championships Committee asked staff to identify appropriate sports for which video streaming could be included as part of the bid specifications for prospective regional hosts in upcoming years. At this meeting, the Championships Committee discussed not only the sports for which video streaming will be required to be included in bid
specifications, but also sports for which video streaming will be required at preliminary rounds, and the minimum standards hosts will be required to meet. As such, the committee agreed on the following:

(1) Beginning with the 2017-18 academic year, video streaming must be included in the bid specifications for prospective regional hosts, and will be required to be implemented for regional-round contests in women’s volleyball.

(2) Beginning with the 2018-19 academic year, preliminary-round hosts in women’s volleyball, as well as in the four sports for which video streaming already is required (football, men’s and women’s basketball, and wrestling), must meet the following minimum standards related to video streaming:

- At least one camera must be used. However, institutions are encouraged to produce a multi-camera video stream. In addition, cell phones are not permitted as the camera source.

- Excluding wrestling, at least one broadcaster must be assigned for each contest to provide commentary in the live video stream.

- Personnel must be able to deliver neutral audio play-by-play and color commentary. (Host institutions may choose to use personnel who have announced the school’s regular-season broadcasts, but those personnel must deliver a neutral commentary during the video stream.)

- Game action must be visible when competition is in progress.

- Current score, time and applicable information must be onscreen if technically possible.

- NCAA public service announcements must be used during breaks if technically possible.

- Every effort should be made to ensure that graphics are neutral and include only NCAA and NCAA participating institutions’ marks.

- Contests must be recorded and shared with participating schools as requested.

(3) Beginning with the 2019-20 academic year, video streaming must be included in the bid specifications for prospective regional hosts, and will be required to be implemented for preliminary-round contests in the following additional sports: baseball, field hockey, men’s and women’s lacrosse, men’s and women’s soccer, and softball. (Hosts will also have to meet the minimum standards listed above.)

14. Regional advisory committee attendance policies. The committee asked staff to continue notifying conference commissioners regarding attendance during regional advisory committee calls.
15. **2018 membership census questions.** Committee members revisited championships-related questions in the 2018 Division II Membership Census to ensure that the most relevant topics are addressed.

16. **Staff updates.**
   
   a. **Winter and spring community engagement events.** Jill Willson from Double L Consulting summarized the events conducted during the winter and spring sport championships. More than 1,300 student-athletes and coaches interacted with more than 6,250 youth community members and military veterans.
   
   b. **Legal update.** Staff updated the committee on pertinent litigation.

17. **Championships Committee chair election.** Committee members agreed to re-elect Mr. Johnson for a second year as chair. The action not only reflects Mr. Johnson’s effectiveness in the role, but it also helps ensure leadership continuity during the completion of the triennial budget review.

18. **Other business.**
   
   a. **Softball playing and practice season in festival years.** Staff noted that the softball committee met just before the Championships Committee meeting and asked for feedback regarding how the Division II National Championships Festival affects the sport’s playing and practice season. Championships Committee members said they would be willing to entertain further discussion, noting that responses from the 2018 Membership Census should help inform the conversation.
   
   b. **Seeding at the softball championship.** The softball committee also asked the Championships Committee to comment on a concept to seed the 16 super regional participants. Championships Committee members agreed to forward the idea to the Regionalization Working Group for comment.
   
   c. **Committee roster.** The group acknowledged Barbara Dearing for her exemplary service to the committee. Ms. Dearing will retire at the end of June as the athletics director at Western Oregon University, ending a four-decade career in collegiate athletics.

19. **Future meeting dates.**
   
   - September 11-13, 2017, Indianapolis (includes meeting with sport committee chairs and champ managers)
   
   - February 13-14, 2018, Indianapolis
   
   - June 19-20, 2018, Indianapolis (moved from June 26-27 as previously scheduled due to a conflict with the NACDA convention)
   
   - September 11-12, 2018, Indianapolis
20. **Adjournment.** Mr. Johnson adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m. Eastern time, June 28.

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**Committee Chair:** Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association  
**Staff Liaison(s):** Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances  
Molly Simons, Championships and Alliances  
Amanda Conklin, Academic and Membership Affairs

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| Division II Championships Committee  
| June 27-28, 2017, Meeting |
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| **Attendees:** |  
Michael Anderson, Gulf South Conference.  
Greg Bamberger, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.  
Pat Britz, South Atlantic Conference.  
Tonya Charland, Great Lakes Valley Conference (Management Council vice chair).  
Barbara Dearing, Western Oregon University; Great Northwest Athletic Conference.  
Ty Dennis, University of Minnesota, Mankato; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference.  
Kim Duyst, California State University, Stanislaus; California Collegiate Athletic Association.  
Gary Gray, University of Alaska Fairbanks; Great Northwest Athletic Conference (Management Council chair).  
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.  
Kristin Mort, Colorado Mesa University; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.  
Julie Ruppert, Northeast-10 Conference.  
Tom Shirley, Philadelphia University; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.  
Kim Vinson, Cameron University; Lone Star Conference.  
Sue Willey, University of Indianapolis; Great Lakes Valley Conference.  
**Absentees:** |  
None.  
**Guests in Attendance:** |  
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.  
Jill Willson, Double L Consulting.  
**NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:** |  
Amanda Conklin, Academic and Membership Affairs.  
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances.  
Molly Simons, Championships and Alliances. |
**Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**

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Name: Jessica Cousins

Job Title: Assistant Track and Field/Cross Country

Designation:

Gender: F

Ethnic Minority: Y

Institution: Nova Southeastern University

Conference: Sunshine State Conference

Meet 50% Requirements: Y

Institution Sponsors Sport: Y

Playing Conference:

NCAA championship exp:

Conference management experience: Although I do not have conference championship experience, I do have home meet experience. I was responsible for meet operations such scheduling, updating coaches on meet changes, as well as, meet day operations.

Nominee has contacted listed references: Y

Regional Advisory Committee Experience: Y

RAC Committees: N/A

Former college S/A: Cross Country, Track and Field

Former college coach (sports): Cross Country, Track and Field

Active Member Institution: Y

Previous Championships Site Representative: N

Qualification Statement:
I have knowledge of NCAA rules and regulations. This knowledge also include rules and guidelines for conferences such as SEC, MEAC, Peach Belt and Sunshine State Conference. As a committee member I would exemplify the leadership, discipline, and a strong work ethic developed as a member of the Razorback Track and Field Team and working as a coach as each institution I have worked under. I have great interpersonal and communication skills that helps me to relate well to people from different cultures and ethnicities.

Past or current Committee Service:
N/A

Employment History:
Assistant Men’s and Women’s Track and Field Coach
September 2015-Present Nova Southeastern University Davie, FL
Assist the head coach in planning, developing, and promoting a highly competitive NCAA division II school.
Organize team practice for 100-400m runners, hurdlers, and jumpers.
Work as academic coach liaison for Cross Country/Track and Field.
Meet with at risk student-athletes to promote academic success.
Coordinate team travel

Assistant Men’s and Women’s Track and Field Coach
October 2012-August 2015 Howard University Washington, DC
Assists the head coach in planning, developing and promoting a highly competitive NCAA Division program
Organizes and implementing practice and training procedures for the development and improvement of individuals and team skills
Displays knowledge and adhere to all rules and regulations, pertaining to the sport of track and field as established by the NCAA, MEAC, and
Howard University
Works extensively with Progress Toward Degree (PTD)
Works hands-on with at-risk and non-native English speaking international student athletes
Monitors and evaluates academic support programs of athletes
Coaching 60m-800m runners, hurdlers, and some jumpers
Director of Operations for Men’s and Women’s Track and Field
Ensures that team travel arrangements are in compliance with University, MEAC and NCAA rules and regulations, to include monitoring development of travel itineraries and coordination of travel plans through the travel company.
Oversees selection, purchase, fitting and maintenance of team equipment, to include uniforms, athletic equipment and supplies.
Develops and publishes team rules regarding appearance, practice, class attendance, punctuality, dress code and general standard of behavior, with approval of Athletic Director and Senior Women’s Administrator.

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## 2016-17 DIVISION II MEN’S SOCCER COMMITTEE

### Composition:
Eight members. One from each of the Division II men’s soccer regions (West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

### Vacancies:
One immediate vacancy. Robert Cummings has left Cal State-Monterey Bay. West region; coach or administrator.

### Staff Liaison:
Eric Breece

### Chair:

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- Matt Thompson
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- Gary Hamill
- South Atlantic
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- Hamill*
- Robert Cummings
- California Collegiate
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- California State University, Monterey Bay
- Gavin Donaldson
- Athletic
- Mountain East
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- West Virginia Wesleyan University
- Bill Elliott
- Gulf South
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- Kevin Alcox
- Great Midwest Athletic Conference
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- Great Midwest Athletic Conference

*Note:***
**Qualification Statement:**
Phil is a former NCAA Division II men's head and assistant coach and was also a NCAA Division II assistant women's coach. He currently serves as a member on the West Region Men's Soccer RAC. He is passionate about the student athlete experience and soccer. He directly supervises our men's soccer program and student athlete advisory committee. He is eager, passionate, reliable, ready and prepared to be more involved within the conference and NCAA. He is a rising star that puts the experience of the student-athlete first and looks through a lens very dimensional and not one way. He would be a great addition to the Men's Soccer Committee.

**Past or current Committee Service:**
N/A

**Employment History:**
Human Resources Manager at Nordstrom San Francisco
Associate Director of Men's and Women's Soccer - Dominican University of California
Head Men's Soccer Coach - Dominican University
Present - Associate Director of Athletics - Dominican University

**Education:**
Bachelor's

**References:**
Amy Henkelman - Director of Athletics - Dominican University of California
amy.henkelman@dominican.edu
Dr. Chris Leeds - Faculty Athletics Rep - Dominican University of California
christopher.leeds@dominican.edu
## 2016-17 Men’s and Women’s Swimming and Diving Rules Committee

(Association-Wide Rules Administration)

**Legislated Requirements:**
Nine members. Four Division I, including each subdivision: two Division II, two Division III and an additional member shall be secretary-rules editor. Quota of 25 percent administrators: 2. Quota of 50 percent coaches: 4.

**Duties:**
Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

**Policy:**
Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

**Preference:**
One Division I diving coach.

**Vacancies:**
One Division I September 2017 vacancy. Diving coach. (Jim Stillson was appointed to fill the position but he has retired.) One Division II, coach or administrator.

**Staff Liaison:**
Ben Brownlee

**Chair:**

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**Qualification Statement:**
I am a new coach and I believe that with me being a part of this committee it will help me better understand the sport from the coaching standpoint. I am always up for learning and would love to be a part of this committee just to better understand. I am trying really hard to be the best coach that I can be and with being the only female coach in RMAC for swimming and diving I believe that I will be able to bring a different side to our committee.

**Past or current Committee Service:**

**Employment History:**
Head Women's Swimming and Diving Coach—August 2016 to present
Manager of Anytime Fitness Columbus May 2016-August 2016

**Education:**
Bachelor's

**References:**
Paul Plinske—Athletic Director
Rachael Page—Compliance Officer
ATTACHMENT B

DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATIONS AND EARNED ACCESS

ACTION ITEMS.

• Nonlegislative Items.

  1. Baseball Championship.


     b. Effective Date. September 1, 2017

     c. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

     d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

     e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.


     a. Recommendation. That the following 24 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2018 NCAA Division II Men’s Basketball Championship: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Atlantic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference;
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

b. Effective Date. September 1, 2017.

c. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

3. Women’s Basketball Championship.

a. Recommendation. That the following 24 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

b. Effective Date. September 1, 2017.

c. Rationale. All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

4. Football Championship.

a. Recommendation. That the following 14 conferences with earned access for the 2017 NCAA Division II Football Championship: Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Gulf South Conference; Lone Star
Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; and Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for earned access.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.

5. **Men’s Golf Championships.**

a. **Recommendation.** That the following 22 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.

6. **Women’s Golf Championships.**

a. **Recommendation.** That the following 19 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: Conference Carolinas; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic
Conference; Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification. 2017-18 will mark the first year of automatic qualification for women’s golf.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.

7. **Men’s Soccer Championship.**

   a. **Recommendation.** That the following 18 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Sunshine State Conference.

   b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.

8. **Women’s Soccer Championship.**

   a. **Recommendation.** That the following 22 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference, Conference Carolinas, East Coast Conference, Great American Conference, Great Lakes Intercollegiate

b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.

9. **Softball Championship.**


b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.
10. Men’s Tennis Championship.

a. **Recommendation.** That the following 16 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference, Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.

11. Women’s Tennis Championship.

a. **Recommendation.** That the following 21 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Conference; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.
12. Women’s Volleyball Championship.

a. **Recommendation.** That the following 24 conferences be approved for automatic qualification for 2017-18 academic year: California Collegiate Athletic Association; Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference; Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Conference Carolinas; East Coast Conference; Great American Conference; Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Great Lakes Valley Conference; Great Midwest Athletic Conference; Great Northwest Athletic Conference; Gulf South Conference; Heartland Conference; Lone Star Conference; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Mountain East Conference; Northeast-10 Conference; Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference; Pacific West Conference; Peach Belt Conference; Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; South Atlantic Conference; Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; and Sunshine State Conference.

b. **Effective Date.** September 1, 2017.

c. **Rationale.** All eligible conferences are being recommended for automatic qualification.

d. **Estimated Budget Impact.** None.

e. **Student-Athlete Impact.** None.

**Note:** “*” indicates year three of three-year grace period.

**Committee Chair:** Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University; Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.

**Staff Liaisons:** Amanda Conklin, Academic and Membership Affairs
Roberta Page, Championships and Alliances
Molly Simons, Championships and Alliances