

**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
JANUARY 17-21, 2017, MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **New Appointments.**

a. Recommendation. Appoint the following new members to the committee:

- (1) East Coast Conference, Jack Nicholson, Men's Soccer, St. Thomas Aquinas College. Jack was selected due to his ability to provide a unique perspective as an international student-athlete, along with sport and gender diversity. Jack also presented great insights through his personal statement.
- (2) Great American Conference, Josh Qualls, Football, Arkansas Tech University. Josh was selected due to his strong statement, which highlighted his interest in legislation and willingness to serve.
- (3) Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Deionte Nicholas, Football, Wayne State University (Michigan). Deionte was selected due to his ability to enhance ethnic diversity on the committee, as well as balancing sport and gender diversity on the committee.
- (4) Great Northwest Athletic Conference, Sarissa Lammers, Women's Skiing, University of Alaska, Fairbanks. Sarissa was selected based on her sport diversity in competing in a co-ed, national championship sport, as well as her strong academic record. Sarissa also has an excellent background and working relationship with SAAC.
- (5) Heartland Conference, Taylor Stover, Women's Soccer, Rogers State University. Taylor was selected by the committee as her background made her the top selection from her conference's pool of candidates.

- (6) Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association, **Austin Acosta**, Men's Track and Field, Southwest Baptist University. Austin was selected based on his strong personal statement, as well as his sport, gender and cultural diversity.
 - (7) Mountain East Conference, **Nicholas Ely**, Baseball, Notre Dame College (Ohio). Nicholas was selected due to the strength of his application and the ability to provide sport diversity. The committee believed he was clearly the top candidate from his conference.
 - (8) Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference, **Casey Monaghan**, Women's Golf, West Chester University of Pennsylvania. Casey was selected based on her sport diversity, gender diversity, and the strength of her application.
 - (9) Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference, **Josh Shapiro**, Baseball, Colorado Mesa University. Josh was selected due to his strong personal statement, involvement in his institution's SAAC, and dedication to service.
 - (10) Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, **Tom Johnson**, Men's Basketball, Central State University. Tom was selected based on his ability to provide sport, gender, and cultural diversity, involvement with service and his academic performance.
 - (11) Sunshine State Conference, **Kristina Ortiz**, Women's Golf, Lynn University. Kristina was selected based on her strong application, as the committee considered her the clear choice to represent her conference.
- b. Effective Date. Immediately.
 - c. Rationale. See above statement with each individual appointment.
 - d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.
 - e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

[Note that these appointments were made by the Division II Administrative Committee via email. See Supplement No. 3 for actions.]

INFORMATION ITEMS.

1. **Preparation for the 2017 NCAA Convention Division II Business Session.** The Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) reviewed its legislative positions and practiced proposal speeches for the 2017 Division II Business Session.

The legislative proposals discussed are listed below. SAAC reviewed all aspects of the proposed legislation in preparation for the business session:

- a. PROPOSAL 2017-1 (2-3): AMATEURISM – COMPETITION-RELATED EXPENSES FROM AN OUTSIDE SPONSOR.
- b. PROPOSAL 2017-2 (2-4): AMATEURISM – PAYMENT BASED ON PERFORMANCE – FROM AMATEUR TEAM OR EVENT SPONSOR IN INDIVIDUAL SPORTS.
- c. PROPOSAL 2017-3 (2-5): AMATEURISM – INVOLVEMENT WITH PROFESSIONAL TEAMS – TRYOUTS – TRYOUTS AFTER ENROLLMENT – TRYOUTS AT ANY TIME.
- d. PROPOSAL 2017-4 (2-6): AMATEURISM – PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES – PERMISSIBLE – INSTITUTIONAL, CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL OR NONPROFIT PROMOTIONS – MONETARY AND EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS.
- e. PROPOSAL 2017-5 (2-7): RECRUITING – CONTACTS AND EVALUATIONS – CONTRACTABLE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES – FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES – REMOVAL OF REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN PERMISSION FROM NAIA INSTITUTION.
- f. PROPOSAL 2017-6 (2-8): RECRUITING – OFFERS AND INDUCEMENTS – INSTITUTIONAL PRE-ENROLLMENT FEES.
- g. PROPOSAL 2017-7 (2-16): PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – GENERAL PLAYING SEASON REGULATIONS – TIME LIMITS FOR ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES – ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS – NO CLASS TIME MISSED FOR COMPETITION IN NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT – TEAM SPORTS.
- h. PROPOSAL 2017-8 (2-18): DIVISION MEMBERSHIP – MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS – SPORT SPONSORSHIP – MINIMUM CONTESTS AND

PARTICIPANTS REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL SPORTS SPONSORSHIP –
WOMEN’S LACROSSE AND WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL.

- i. PROPOSAL 2017-9 (2-17): DIVISION MEMBERSHIP – MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS – PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT.
- j. PROPOSAL 2017-10 (2-2): ELIGIBILITY – ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT.
- k. PROPOSAL 2017-11 (2-1): NCAA MEMBERSHIP – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP – INDEPENDENT MEDICAL CARE.
- l. PROPOSAL 2017-12 (2-12): FINANCIAL AID – MAXIMUM LIMITS ON FINANCIAL AID – TEAM LIMITS – INSTITUTIONAL ATHLETICS AID ONLY.
- m. PROPOSAL 2017-13 (2-13): FINANCIAL AID – TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AWARDED INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AID – PERIOD OF INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AWARD – ONE-YEAR LIMIT – REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE ATHLETICALLY RELATED FINANCIAL AID FOR ONE ACADEMIC YEAR.
- n. PROPOSAL 2017-14 (2-14): FINANCIAL AID – TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AWARDED INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AID – REDUCTION AND CANCELLATION DURING PERIOD OF AWARD – INCREASE PERMITTED – INCREASE FOR ANY REASON AT ANY TIME.
- o. PROPOSAL 2017-15 (2-9): RECRUITING – RECRUITING MATERIALS – ELIMINATION OF CONFERENCE RESTRICTIONS.
- p. PROPOSAL 2017-16 (2-10): RECRUITING – RECRUITING CALENDARS – FOOTBALL – CONTACT PERIOD – MONDAY AFTER THANKSGIVING.
- q. PROPOSAL 2017-17 (2-11): ELIGIBILITY – SEASONS OF COMPETITION: 10-SEMESTER/15-QUARTER RULE – HARDSHIP WAIVER – SEASON-OF-COMPETITION WAIVER – COMPETITION WHILE ELIGIBLE.
- r. PROPOSAL 2017-18 (2-15): PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – BASEBALL, BEACH VOLLEYBALL, CROSS COUNTRY, FIELD HOCKEY, GOLF, LACROSSE, ROWING, SOCCER, SOFTBALL, TENNIS, WOMEN’S VOLLEYBALL – OUT-OF-SEASON AND NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT ATHLETICALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES – NONCHAMPIONSHIP SEGMENT ACTIVITIES.

2. **Election of 2017 Management Council Representatives.** The committee elected Division II Management Council representatives for 2017—Ashley Beaton, University of Illinois at Springfield, and Storm Glautier, Nyack College.
3. **Election of 2017 SAAC Executive Board.** The committee elected Jasmyn Lindsay, Queens University of Charlotte, as chair of National SAAC for 2017. The committee also elected the following individuals to executive board positions: Taryn Driver, Texas A&M University-Commerce, vice chair; Hannah Peevy, University of North Georgia, internal operations coordinator; and Ty Dennis, Minnesota State University Mankato, external operations coordinator.
4. **Election of Division II and Association-wide Committee Representatives.** Representatives were selected for Division II and Association-wide committees.
 - a. Gabrielle Cabanero, Dixie State University (Utah), was selected to serve on the Committee on Women’s Athletics.
 - b. Jessica Hicks, Ursuline College, was selected to serve on the Committee on Sportsmanship and Ethical Conduct.
 - c. Bailey Koch was selected to serve on the Olympic Sports Liaison Committee.
 - d. Jessica Koch, California State University, San Bernardino, was selected to serve on the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports.
 - e. Anthony Sassano, Dominican University of California, was selected to serve on the Division II Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee.
 - f. Jeffrey Yasalonis, University of Mount Olive, was selected to serve on the Division II Academic Requirements Committee.
 - g. Malek Barber, Palm Beach Atlantic University, was selected to serve on the Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee.
 - h. Taryn Driver, Texas A&M University-Commerce, will serve on the Legislation Committee as part of her vice chair responsibilities.
 - i. Ty Dennis, Minnesota State University Mankato, will continue to serve on the Championships Committee.

5. **Conference Updates.** Committee members discussed updates from their respective conferences, including conference SAAC meetings, legislation, upcoming games and community engagement activities, specifically with Make-A-Wish[®] and Team IMPACT[®].
6. **Policies and Procedures.** The Committee approved its updated policies and procedures after recommendations were made during its November 2016 meeting.
7. **Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award.** SAAC discussed the presentation of the Dr. Dave Pariser Faculty Mentor Award to Julian Capel of Fayetteville State University, which took place at a special reception at the NCAA Convention.
8. **Team IMPACT[®].** Seth Rosenzweig and Amy VanRyn provided an update on Division II's engagement with Team IMPACT. Team IMPACT has seen a significant growth in Division II institutions from working with National SAAC and applying the money it receives from Division II to match more children with member institutions.
9. **Make-A-Wish.** The committee reviewed Division II's Make-A-Wish partnership. Division II conferences and institutions raised over \$608,000 for Make-A-Wish during the 2015-16 academic year. Five institutions raised above the national average cost of a wish reveal, \$9,500, and automatically earned a wish reveal party. For an additional 21 institutions, which all raised \$5,000 or more, SAAC awarded money from Division II fines to help them meet the minimum fundraising requirement for a wish reveal.
10. **Review Convention Schedule.** SAAC reviewed the 2017 NCAA Convention meeting schedule.
11. **Prepare Conference Meeting Summaries.** The committee reviewed discussion topics for its respective conference meetings. These topics included the committee's take on 2017 Convention legislation and updates regarding the 2017 APPLE Training Institute, its CPR/AED initiative, Helper Helper partnership, its November social justice discussion and the SAAC Super Region Convention.
12. **Joint President's Council/Management Council/SAAC Breakfast Roundtable Topics Discussion.** The committee reviewed the agenda and discussed the materials that would be covered during the joint Presidents Council/Management Council/SAAC breakfast roundtable discussion scheduled for January 19.
13. **Discussion with NCAA President Mark Emmert and NCAA Executive Vice President Donald Remy.** President Emmert and Donald Remy met with SAAC to discuss issues involving the NCAA, including social justice on campuses and the influence of the NCAA. Mr. Remy provided an update for the committee regarding recent

lawsuits and legal affairs. An open question and answer session was conducted, as well.

14. **Discussion with NCAA Board of Governors Chair Bud Peterson.** NCAA Board of Governors Chair Bud Peterson met with SAAC to discuss issues involving the NCAA and how the student-athlete voice can be beneficial to the Board of Governors. The proposed Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee was also discussed.
15. **Discussion with College Sports Information Directors Association (CoSIDA).** CoSIDA officials spoke with all three SAACs about the importance of communication between student-athletes and their sports information directors. CoSIDA officials in attendance included Board of Directors President Andy Seeley; First Vice President Rob Carolla; Second Vice President Rob Knox; along with Executive Director Doug Vance; Director of Professional Development and External Affairs Barb Kowal; and management advisory committee member John Kean.
16. **Visit from NCAA Chief Medical Officer Dr. Brian Hainline.** Chief Medical Officer Brian Hainline spoke with all three SAACs about mental health, in addition to recent projects and initiatives of the Sport Science Institute (SSI).
17. **Communications Staff Update.** All three SAACs received an update from the Associate Director of Membership Communications Amy Wimmer Schwarb regarding the Pathway to Opportunity campaign. The committees provided feedback to her about a planned outreach to prospective student-athletes.
18. **Wagering and Social Environment Survey.** The committee heard presentations from the research and enforcement staffs regarding wagering activity among student-athletes. Research also spoke with SAAC about social environments on campuses.
19. **NCAA Division II Four-Year Transfers.** The committee provided feedback to staff on existing four-year transfer legislation.
20. **Open Forum for 2017 initiatives/goals.** The committee held an open forum to discuss goals for the next year. Many topics were discussed; some of those mentioned include: the CPR/AED initiative, Helper Helper sign-ups, mental health awareness, sexual assault awareness and social justice.
21. **Community Engagement in Division II.** Jill Willson, president Double L Consulting, spoke about the community engagement activities that occurred during the 2016 Division II championships. Additionally, the committee received a report on Division II activity using the Helper Helper app from Krista Clement, the company's president and founder.

- 22. Division II Award of Excellence.** The committee reviewed the nominations for the Award of Excellence. The four finalists were: third place winners —Winona State University for creating a platform to provide mental health resources and University of New Haven for the Wish reveal for a local boy; second place winner—Hawaii Pacific University, which provided helmets to anyone in need; and first place winner—University of North Georgia, for each athletics team commemorating a fallen soldier from North Georgia all season long.
- 23. November 2016 meeting report.** The November 2016 SAAC meeting report was reviewed and approved by the committee.
- 24. Recognition of Outgoing SAAC Representatives.** Prior to the conclusion of the meeting, SAAC recognized the service of outgoing representatives: Vonnick Boyogueno, Clark Atlanta University, Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Grace Donovan, Florida Southern College, Sunshine State Conference; Corbin Greening, Henderson State University, Great American Conference; Jacob Long, Regis University (CO), Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference; Celine Mangan, Notre Dame College (OH), Mountain East Conference; Steve Martinez, Texas A&M International University, Heartland Conference; Christopher Pike, Gannon University, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference; Elijah Sanabria, Tiffin University, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Ayanna Tweedy, Bowie State University, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Deron Washington, Pittsburg State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association; Christopher Waung, Assumption College, Northeast-10 Conference; and Ryan Yewchin, Simon Fraser University, Great Northwest Athletic Conference.
- 25. Future meeting dates.**
- a. April 7-9, 2017; Indianapolis.
 - b. July 13-16, 2017, SAAC/Management Council Summit; Indianapolis.
 - c. September 22-24, 2017; NCAA Division II APPLE Training Institute, Reston, Virginia.
 - d. Fall 2017 conference call; date TBA.
 - e. November 16-19, 2017; Indianapolis.
 - f. January 16-20, 2018, in conjunction with the NCAA Convention, Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Chris Pike, Gannon University, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.
Staff Liaison(s): Ryan Jones, Division II Governance.
Chris Brown, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Mark Strothkamp, Enforcement.
Payton Williams, Academic and Membership Affairs.

Attendees	Absentees
Ashley Beaton, University of Illinois at Springfield	Malek Barber, Palm Beach Atlantic University
Doug Blais, Southern New Hampshire University	Carrie Bodkins, Alderson Broaddus University
Gabrielle Cabanero, Dixie State University (Utah)	Vonnick Boyogueno, Clark Atlanta University
Ty Dennis, Minnesota State University Mankato	Jeffrey Yasalonis, University of Mount Olive
Grace Donovan, Florida Southern College	Ryan Yewchin, Simon Fraser University
Taryn Driver, Texas A&M University-Commerce	
Storm Glautier, Nyack College	
Corbin Greening, Henderson State University	
Jesica Hicks, Ursuline College	
Bailey Koch, Augustana University	
Jessica Koch, California State University, San Bernardino	
Jasmyn Lindsay, Queens University of Charlotte	
Jacob Long, Regis University (Colorado)	
Celine Mangan, Notre Dame College (Ohio)	
Steve Martinez, Texas A&M International University	
Hannah Peevy, University of North Georgia	
Christopher Pike, Gannon University	
Kayla Robles, Valdosta State University	
Elijah Sanabria, Tiffin University	
Anthony Sassano, Dominican University of California	
Ayanna Tweedy, Bowie State University	
Deron Washington, Pittsburg State University	
Christopher Waung, Assumption College	

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Other Participants:

Lydia Bell, NCAA
Jackie Campbell, NCAA
Rob Carolla, CoSIDA
Michael Cioroianu, NCAA
Krista Clement, Helper Helper
Mark Emmert, NCAA
Kim Fort, NCAA
Brian Hainline, NCAA
Maritza Jones, NCAA
John Kean, CoSIDA
Barb Kowal, CoSIDA
Rob Knox, CoSIDA
Mike Massa, NCAA
Faith Morrison, NCAA
Tom Paskus, NCAA
Bud Peterson, Georgia Institute of Technology
Donald Remy, NCAA
Seth Rosenzweig, Team IMPACT®
Lisa Rogers, NCAA
Amy Wimmer Schwarb, NCAA
Andy Seeley, CoSIDA
Doug Vance, CoSIDA
Cari Van Senus, NCAA
Jill Willson, Double L Consulting
Karen Wolf, NCAA

**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
NOMINATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
MARCH 12, 2017, TELECONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **New Appointments.**

a. Recommendation. Appoint the following new members to the committee:

(1) Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Aja Grant, Women's Tennis, Winston-Salem State University. Aja was selected because she brings sport and ethnic diversity to the committee, for her strong personal statement and she has experience in bridging the gap between student-athletes and the general student body at her institution.

(2) Northeast-10 Conference, Colin Biebel, Men's Ice Hockey, Saint Michael's College. Colin was selected for his passion of raising awareness for mental health, his sport diversity in competing in men's ice hockey, his strong and unique personal statement and he is a double major in two business fields.

b. Effective Date. Immediately.

c. Rationale. See above statement with each individual appointment.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

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Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Teleconference, March 12, 2017	
Attendees	Absentees
Ashley Beaton, University of Illinois at Springfield	None
Ty Dennis, Minnesota State University Mankato	
Taryn Driver, Texas A&M University-Commerce	
Storm Glautier, Nyack College	
Bailey Koch, Augustana University	
Hannah Peevy, University of North Georgia, <i>chair</i>	
Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Teleconference, March 12, 2017	
Other Participants: Ryan Jones, NCAA	