ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.


   (1) **Recommendation.** Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Bylaw 13.17.2 (women's basketball) to amend the start of the dead period surrounding the Division I Women's Basketball Championship to the Thursday prior to the start of the Division I Women's Basketball Championship. [Attachment A]

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

   (3) **Rationale.** Amending the current dead period would give Division II women's basketball coaches the opportunity to attend the Women's Basketball Coaches Association Convention and the NCAA Division I Women's Final Four without feeling they are at a recruiting disadvantage. In 2016, the Division I Women's Final Four changed its format from Sunday/Tuesday to Friday/Sunday. As a result, the current dead period does not protect these two events. This change is consistent with the intent of the original proposal that established the dead period in 2003 and is supported by the WBCA.

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

   (5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

   b. Noncontroversial Legislation – Figure 16-3 – Awards and Benefits – Awards – Types of Awards, Awarding Agencies, Maximum Value and Numbers of Awards – Special Achievement Awards – Specialized Performance in a Single Contest or During Limited Time Period – Permissible Awarding Agencies – Institution.

   (1) **Recommendation.** Adopt noncontroversial legislation to amend Figure 16-3 (special achievement awards) to permit an institution to provide an award to a student-athlete for a specialized performance in single contest or during limited time period (e.g., player of the game, player of the week). [Attachment B]
(2) **Effective date.** Immediate.

(3) **Rationale.** The intent of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2018-3 (awards and benefits -- awards -- application of awards legislation and types of awards, awarding agencies, maximum value and numbers of awards -- awards received for participation while not representing the institution and increase in maximum values) is to provide the permissible awarding agencies [i.e., conference, outside organization (e.g., local business)] with additional flexibility with the type of award that can be provided for a specialized performance in a single contest or during a limited time period (e.g., player of the game, player of the week). This change is recommended based on feedback from the membership that institutions should also be permitted to provide such an award. This change would become effective immediately regardless of whether Proposal No. 2018-3 is adopted.

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

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

2. **Nonlegislative Items.**

   a. **Legislative Referral to the NCAA Division II Academic Requirements Committee – Use of the One-Time Transfer Exception for National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Student-Athletes.**

      (1) **Recommendation.** That the NCAA Division II Management Council refer review of Bylaw 14.5.5.3.9 (one-time transfer exception) to the Academic Requirements Committee for feedback on a potential legislative change in Division II:

      Whether the one-time transfer exception should include an academic requirement (e.g., transferrable credit hours, minimum transferrable grade-point average) for student-athletes transferring from a NAIA institution.

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

      (3) **Rationale.** Since the adoption of Proposal No. 2017-5 (recruiting – contacts and evaluations – contactable prospective student-athletes – four-year college prospective student-athletes – removal of requirement to obtain permission from NAIA institutions), there has been an increase in legislative relief waivers filed due to a NAIA institution denying use of the one-time transfer exception. The Legislation Committee is discussing whether to eliminate the requirement to receive written consent from a
NAIA institution to use the one-time transfer exception. However, the committee recognizes the potential challenges with receiving information regarding the student's academic record at the NAIA institution if such a change is made. The committee requests that the Academic Requirements Committee discuss whether a different academic requirement is appropriate for NAIA transfers before making a legislative recommendation.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

b. Legislative Referral to the NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports – Use of Tobacco Products.

(2) Recommendation. That the Management Council refer review of Bylaw 17.1.9 (use of tobacco products) to the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports for consideration of a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the prohibition on the use of tobacco products by a student-athlete during practice and competition should be legislated in the NCAA Division II Manual.

(2) Effective date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The NCAA Division II Culture of Compliance Think Tank Legislative Subgroup was charged with a review of current Division II legislation with the charge to eliminate or amend current rules that do not align and are not practical for Division II institutions to monitor and/or apply based on compliance resources available on campuses and conference offices. The subgroup noted that the use of tobacco products legislation is challenging for compliance administrators to monitor and may be better suited as a health and safety best practice. Since this legislation is applicable in all three divisions, the subgroup requests feedback from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport before pursuing a legislative change.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.
c. Legislative Referral to the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports – Football Preseason Practice Model.

(1) **Recommendation.** That the Management Council refer review of Bylaw 17.10.2 (preseason practice) to the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports for feedback on a potential legislative change in Division II:

Whether the preseason practice legislation should be amended as follows: (a) To require a day off from on-field activities each week of the preseason practice period; (b) To permit use of footballs during walk-throughs; and (c) To permit meetings and film review during the three-hour recovery period between sessions involving physical activity.

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

(3) **Rationale.** In May 2017, the NCAA Division II Committee for Legislative Relief approved a blanket waiver for the 2017 football preseason to permit use of footballs during walk-throughs and meetings and film review during the three-hour recovery period between sessions involving physical activity. Additionally, the Interassociation Guidelines recommended institutions take one day off per week during the preseason. The Legislation Committee requests feedback from the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports on these concepts before pursuing a potential legislative change.

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

(5) **Student-athlete impact.** None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Review of 2018 NCAA Convention Division II Legislation and the Legislative Proposal Question and Answer Guide.** The committee reviewed the 2018 Convention proposals and the Legislative Proposal Question and Answer Guide to resolve all possible questions and procedural issues prior to the 2018 Convention Division II business session January 20, 2018. The committee recommended a noncontroversial proposal to amend Proposal No. 2018-3 (awards and benefits – awards – application of awards legislation and types of awards, awarding agencies, maximum value and numbers of awards – awards received for participation while not representing the institution and increase in maximum values) to specify that an institution is a permissible awarding agency for specialized performance awards. The committee noted that this noncontroversial proposal would
become effective regardless of whether Proposal No. 2018-3 is adopted. [See Legislative Action Item No. 1-b.]

Staff also provided the committee with an update on the release of the Question and Answer Guide. Staff noted that the final version of the guide for the 2018 Convention will be available not later than December 4, 2017, and will only be produced electronically.

2. **Review of 2018 Convention Membership-Sponsored Proposals Not Properly Co-Sponsored.** The committee reviewed a membership-sponsored proposal that did not receive proper co-sponsorship for the 2018 Convention. The proposal would have amended the out-of-season playing and practice legislation in sports other than football. Specifically, the proposal would have eliminated the limitation of two hours of team activities and skill-related instruction within the weekly limitation of eight hours of out-of-season athletically related activities; further, it would have limited countable athletically related activity to two hours per day out of season. The committee took no further action.

3. **Update on Feedback Regarding Out-of-Season Playing and Practice Season Legislation.** The committee reviewed administrator, coach and NCAA Division II Student-Athlete Advisory Committee feedback regarding the current out-of-season playing and practice season legislation and whether current restrictions on the permissible use of the eight-hour segment (maximum of two hours of team activities) remain appropriate. The committee directed staff to seek additional feedback from: athletics healthcare administrators; athletic trainers; and strength and conditioning coaches. The committee agreed to continue the discussion at its in-person meeting in March 2018.

4. **Review of Legislative Recommendations from the Culture of Compliance Think Tank Legislative Subgroup.** The committee received an overview of the legislative recommendations from the Culture of Compliance Think Tank Legislative Subgroup and an update on the agenda for the December 12-13 Culture of Compliance Summit. The committee noted that many of the concepts are potentially noncontroversial changes and agreed to review the final recommendations from the summit at its March 2018 meeting. The committee referred one legislative concept to the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport. [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-b.]

5. **Update on the Division I Rules Modernization Review.** The committee received an update on the Division I rules modernization review as well as the NCAA Division I Transfer Working Group. The committee will receive subsequent updates as both reviews move forward.

6. **Discussion with Felicia Martin, Vice President of the NCAA Eligibility Center.** The committee welcomed Felicia Martin, vice president of the NCAA Eligibility Center. The committee was provided an overview of her vision for the Eligibility Center and given an
opportunity to provide feedback on current operations and potential enhancements to the academic and amateurism certification processes.

7. **Update Regarding Discussion with the NAIA and Use of the One-Time Transfer Exception.** The committee was provided an update on the discussion regarding the NAIA and use of the one-time transfer exception. The committee discussed a possible legislative change to eliminate the requirement to receive written consent to use the one-time transfer exception from NAIA institutions, but requested additional feedback from the Academic Requirements Committee regarding a possible academic requirement specifically for NAIA student-athletes. [See Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-a.] The committee also noted support for the Committee for Legislative Relief's analysis of these waivers, which focuses on whether the transferring student-athlete was given an appellate opportunity.

8. **Update on the NCAA Division II Online Coaches Education Program.** The committee received and overview on the Online Coaches Education Program. The committee engaged in initial discussions regarding whether to amend the current legislated requirement for the coaches recruiting examination and directed staff to seek feedback on how often education should be required (e.g., annually, quarterly) and the appropriate penalty for a coach who fails to complete the required education (e.g., prohibition on off-campus recruiting, restrictions on countable athletically related activities) for the committee to review at its March 2018 in-person meeting. The committee requested feedback from the following groups: Division II Conference Commissioners Association; Division II Conference Commissioners Association of Compliance Administrators; NCAA Division II Presidents Council; Management Council; Faculty Athletics Representatives Association; Division II Coaches Connection groups; Division II Athletics Directors Association; and the National Association for Athletics Compliance.

9. **Proposal No. 2017-12 (Financial Aid – Maximum Limits on Financial Aid – Team Limits – Institutional Athletics Aid Only) and the Financial Aid Form.** The committee reviewed and provided feedback on the financial aid form and financial aid tab on Compliance Assistant for the 2018-19 academic year due to the adoption of Proposal No. 2017-12. The committee agreed to review and take action on the final version of the form in spring 2018.

10. **Discussion Regarding Midyear Enrollee Participation in Outside Competition During the Nonchampionship Segment.** The committee discussed midyear enrollee participation in outside competition during the nonchampionship segment and agreed to incorporate an official interpretation [Reference: 7/23/02, Item No. 6] into the Division II Manual for ease of reference for the membership.

11. **Discussion Regarding the Division I Women's Final Four Dates and the Division II Basketball Recruiting Calendar.** At the request of the WBCA and due to a format change, the committee reviewed the dead period surrounding the Division I Women's
Basketball Championship game and agreed to recommend noncontroversial legislation to amend the dead period to start Thursday prior to the championship game. [See Legislative Action Item No. 1-a.]

12. **Discussion Regarding the Football Preseason Practice Model.** The committee received an update of the recommendations being discussed in Divisions I and III regarding football preseason practice and reviewed the current legislation in Division II. The committee directed staff to seek feedback from the following groups: Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport [see Nonlegislative Action Item No. 2-c]; Football Coaches Connection; American Football Coaches Association; Presidents Council; Management Council; Division II Athletics Director Association; Division II Conference Commissioners Association; and the NCAA Division II Football Committee. The committee will review the feedback at its March 2018 in-person meeting.

13. **Discussion Regarding Proposal No. NC-2018-20 (Recruiting – Publicity – Comments Prior to Signing – Actions on Social Media Platforms) and Timing.** The committee discussed the application of Proposal No. NC-2018-20 and agreed to issue the following official interpretation and incorporate the interpretation into the Division II Manual:

**Permissible Timing of Actions on Social Networking Sites (II)**

The Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that an institutional staff member is permitted to initiate a "friend" or "follow" request to a prospective student-athlete through a social networking site and take actions (e.g., "like", "favorite", republish) that indicate approval of content at any time, including prior to the first permissible date to send electronic correspondence, even if the social networking website sends an automatically generated electronic notification (e.g., email, text message, push notification), provided the staff member does not modify the automatically generated electronic notification and no additional communication is included.

[References: Division II Bylaws 13.4.1 (recruiting materials), 13.4.5 (electronic transmissions), 13.4.5.1 (electronic transmissions after national letter of intent signing or other written commitment), 13.10.2.1 (exception – actions that indicate approval of content on social media platforms) and a staff interpretation (12/16/2013, Item No. 3), which has been archived.]

14. **Review of Division I Official Interpretation Regarding Student-Athlete Opinions on a Commercial Product or Service.** The committee discussed whether it is permissible for a Division II student-athlete to provide an opinion on a commercial product or service and agreed to issue the following official interpretation:
Student-Athlete Providing Opinions on a Commercial Product or Service (II)

The Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that a student-athlete may provide an opinion about a commercial product or service, as long as no individual associated in any manner with the commercial product or service is involved in directing the student-athlete to issue the opinion, and the student-athlete does not receive any benefits from any source in conjunction with his or her opinion.

[Reference: Division II Bylaw 12.5.2.1 (advertisements and promotions following enrollment)]

15. Issuance of Official Interpretation. The committee issued the following official interpretation regarding Proposal No. 2017-12 (financial aid – maximum limits on financial aid – team limits – institutional athletics aid only) effective August 1, 2018:

Institutional Financial Aid Requiring Participation in Intercollegiate Athletics (II)

The Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that institutional aid awarded by a department other than the athletics department which requires the recipient to be a student-athlete (e.g., a scholarship for a student-athlete in a particular sport with a specified grade-point average) counts toward team and individual equivalency limits.

[References: Division II Bylaws 15.02.4 (counter), 15.4.2.2 (equivalency computations); and Proposal No. 2017-12]

16. Issuance of Official Interpretation. The committee issued the following official interpretation regarding foundation scholarships:

Financial Aid Received from an Institutional Foundation (II)

The Division II Legislation Committee confirmed that if an institution's foundation is operated by the institution, financial aid distributed through the foundation is institutional aid.

If the foundation is operated independent of the institution, financial aid distributed through the foundation is outside aid. It is permissible for a student-athlete to receive financial aid awarded solely on bases having no relationship to athletics ability under this arrangement. However, aid that is in any way related to athletics would be impermissible as it would not meet the financial aid from an established and continuing program legislation since there is a direct connection between the donor (i.e., foundation) and the student-athlete's institution.
17. **2017-18 Division II Priorities.** The committee received an overview of the 2017-18 Division II Priorities as approved by the Presidents Council in August 2017.

18. **Review of Amateurism Fact-Finding Policies and Procedures.** The committee reviewed and approved the updated policies and procedures for the NCAA Division II Amateurism Fact-Finding Group, which included three revisions: (a) Adding a requirement that the amateurism-certification process staff provide the complete file on the prospective student-athlete that was used to complete the amateurism certification; (b) Modifying the hearing procedures to allow the subcommittee to ask questions between the opening and closing statements; and (c) Changing the staff that notifies the prospective student-athlete and the institution of the determined facts from the amateurism-certification process staff to the academic and membership affairs liaison to the subcommittee.

19. **Update from the Presidents Council and Management Council October 2017 Meetings.** The committee received an update on the actions taken at the October Presidents Council and Management Council quarterly meetings.

20. **Review of August 11 Teleconference Report from the Legislative Review Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee.** The committee reviewed and approved the August 11 Legislative Review Subcommittee teleconference report.

21. **Review of NCAA Interpretations Subcommittee of the Division II Legislation Committee Teleconference Reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the July 24 and September 18 Interpretations Subcommittee teleconference reports.

22. **Review of September 28 Teleconference Report to the Management Council.** The committee reviewed and approved the September 2017 teleconference report.

23. **Future Meeting Dates.**
   
   a. March 5-6, 2018, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis, Indiana).
   
   b. June 20-21, 2018, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis, Indiana).
   
   c. November 5-6, 2018, in-person meeting; (Indianapolis, Indiana).

*Committee Chair:* Linda Van Drie-Andrzewski, Wilmington University (Delaware), Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference

*Staff Liaison(s):* Karen Wolf, Academic and Membership Affairs
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Title: RECRUITING -- RECRUITING CALENDARS -- WOMEN'S BASKETBALL -- DEAD PERIOD SURROUNDING THE NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Convention Year: 2019

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2019-5

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Recruiting

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To amend the start of the dead period surrounding the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship from Saturday to the Thursday prior to the start of the Division I Women's Basketball Championship.

Bylaws: Amend 13.17.2, as follows:

13.17.2 Women's Basketball. The following contact and evaluation periods shall apply to women's basketball:

[13.17.2-(a) through 13.17.2-(i) unchanged.]

(j) During the Sunday Thursday before the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship game through Wednesday noon after the championship game: Dead Period

[13.17.2-(k) through 13.17.2-(l) unchanged.]

Additional Information:

Amending the current dead period would give Division II women's basketball coaches the opportunity to attend the Women's Basketball Coaches Association Convention and the NCAA Division I Women's Final Four without feeling they are at a recruiting disadvantage. In 2016, the Division I Women's Final Four changed its format from Sunday/Tuesday to Friday/Sunday. As a result, the current dead period does not protect these two events. This change is consistent with the intent of the original proposal that established the dead period in 2003 and is supported by the WBCA.

Review History:

Nov 7, 2017: Recommends Approval - Legislation Committee
Title: AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- AWARDS -- TYPES OF AWARDS, AWARDING AGENCIES, MAXIMUM VALUE AND NUMBERS OF AWARDS -- SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS -- SPECIALIZED PERFORMANCE IN SINGLE CONTEST OR DURING LIMITED TIME PERIOD -- PERMISSIBLE AWARDING AGENCIES -- INSTITUTION

Convention Year: 2019

Effective Date: Immediate

Proposal Number: NC-2019-6

Source: NCAA Division II Management Council (Legislation Committee).

Category: Noncontroversial

Topical Area: Awards and Benefits

Status: Ready for Consideration by Management Council

Intent: To permit an institution to provide an award to a student-athlete for a specialized performance in a single contest or during a limited time period (e.g., player of the game, player of the week).

Bylaws: Amend Figure 16-3, as follows:

Figure 16-3 Special Achievement Awards
**FIGURE 16-3**
Special Achievement Awards [R]

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<td>most improved player, most minutes played, most valuable player)</td>
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<td>Most valuable player — special event*</td>
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*The award recipient must be selected by a recognized organization approved by a member institution or conference.

**Each permissible awarding agency is subject to a separate $325 limit per award. Each awarding agency may provide only a single award for each event to each student-athlete.
Additional Information:

The intent of NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2018-3 (awards and benefits -- awards -- application of awards legislation and types of awards, awarding agencies, maximum value and numbers of awards -- awards received for participation while not representing the institution and increase in maximum values) is to provide the permissible awarding agencies [i.e., conference, outside organization (e.g., local business)] with additional flexibility with the type of award that can be provided for a specialized performance in a single contest or a during limited time period (e.g., player of the game, player of the week). This change is recommended based on feedback from the membership that institutions should also be permitted to provide such an award. This change would become effective immediately regardless of whether Proposal No. 2018-3 is adopted.