2018 Convention
Legislative Review
Information Available

• The 2018 NCAA Convention Division III Official Notice.
• Question and Answer Document.
• Parliamentary Procedures Document.
How to Read the Proposals

• The letters and words in italics and strikethrough are those that would be deleted from the current rule with the adoption of the proposal;

• The letters and words in bold face and underlined are those that would be added with the adoption of the proposal; and

• The letters and words in normal text are those that would remain unchanged with the adoption of the proposal.
Order of Legislative Business

• Initial motion to accept notice.

• Confirm or change order of proposals.

• Ratify blue page proposals through acceptance of Official Notice. By motion of a delegate, individual proposals with appendices (blue pages) may be removed for separate consideration.
Order of Legislative Business During Business Session

• Final approval of notice.
• Vote on proposals in “white pages.”
Agenda for Legislative Review

• Review Proposal Nos. 1, 2, 3, 3-1, 4, 7, 8 and 9.
  o How the proposal changes the current rule.
  o Interpretive questions.

• Review And Discuss Proposal Nos. 5 and 6.
  o How the proposal changes the current rule.
  o Interpretive questions.
  o NADIIIAA comments.
  o Open forum.
ELIGIBILITY – ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT AND IMPERMISSIBLE ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE.

- **Effective Date**: August 1, 2018.
- **Source**: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee)].
Current Rule

• Academic Misconduct = Any violations of an institution’s policies related to academic honesty and integrity.
  o May also constitute an extra benefit.

• Violations include but are not limited to the following:

• Arranging of fraudulent academic credit or false transcripts by an institutional staff member;
Current Rule

• A student-athlete or prospective student-athlete’s involvement in arranging fraudulent academic credit or false transcripts; and

• Conduct resulting in an erroneous declaration of eligibility when the student-athlete subsequently competes for the institution.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• Requires that an institution have an academic misconduct policy for all students that is written and accessible.

• Defines pre-enrollment and post-enrollment academic misconduct.

• Replaces the Extra Benefit analysis with an Impermissible Academic Assistance analysis.

• Identifies the individuals and activities to which the legislation applies.
What It Does – Proposed Rule cont.

Did conduct violate the institution’s academic misconduct policies & procedures?

If Yes

Alteration or Falsification of Transcript or Academic Record

Institutional Staff or Booster Involvement?

Competed based on Erroneous Declaration of Eligibility?

If No

1. Substantial academic assistance or exception;
2. Not generally available to institution’s students;
3. Not permissible under Bylaw 16.3;
4. Provided by current or former institutional staff or representative of athletics interests; and
5. Results in certification of eligibility.

Yes to any? -or- No to all?

NCAA Academic Misconduct Violation

No NCAA Violations

NCAA Impermissible Academic Assistance Violation

No NCAA Violations

DIVISION III

#WHYD3
ETHICAL CONDUCT – SPORTS WAGERING – SANCTIONS – ELIMINATION OF LEGISLATED SANCTIONS.

• **Effective Date**: Immediate.

• **Source**: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee)].
Current Rule

• A student-athlete who participates in any sports wagering activity, through the internet, a bookmaker or a parlay card, shall be ineligible for all regular-season and postseason competition for a minimum period of one year from the date of the institution’s determination that a violation has occurred.

• The student-athlete shall be charged with the loss of a minimum of one season of eligibility.

• There is not a process to appeal the sanctions.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• Eliminates the legislated sanction and substitutes the Student-Athlete Reinstatement process to determine the extent of eligibility ramifications for sports wagering violations.

• Allows member institutions to appeal student-athlete withholding conditions imposed for engaging in a sports wagering activity through the Internet, a bookmaker or a parlay card.
NCAA Proposal No. 2018-3

DIVISION III COMMITTEES – ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERSHIP – STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – CHANGE OF COMPOSITION.

• **Effective Date:** August 1, 2018.

• **Source:** Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference and State University of New York Athletic Conference.
Current Rule

• The National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee consists of 22 student-athletes.

• The 43 Conferences and group of independents each have a partner resulting in 22 pairings.

• There is one student-athlete from each of these pairings on National SAAC.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• National SAAC would increase from 22 members to 44 members.

• A student-athlete from each conference and the group of independents would be a member of the National SAAC.
NCAA Proposal No. 2018-3-1

DIVISION III COMMITTEES – ELIGIBILITY OF MEMBERSHIP – STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – PARTNER CONFERENCE STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE LIAISON.

• Effective Date: August 1, 2018.

• Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council. (Management Council)
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• Would create a Partner Conference Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Liaison structure as opposed to increasing the size of the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (Proposal 2018-3).

• Partner liaisons would be permitted to attend the in-person July meeting, the October teleconference and the January meeting.
Process

• Proposal No. 2018-3 will be moved and seconded.
• Next Proposal No. 2018-3-1 will be moved and seconded.
• Discussion will occur on 2018-3-1.
• There will be two votes.
Process

• The first vote is to determine if Proposal No. 2018-3 should be amended by 2018-3-1.

• If yes, then the second vote is on Proposal No. 2018-3 as amended.

• If no, then the second vote is on Proposal No. 2018-3 as originally proposed.
NCAA Proposal No. 2018-4

ELIGIBILITY – GRADUATE AND POSTBACCALAUREATE ELIGIBILITY – STUDENTS GRADUATING FROM DIVISION III INSTITUTIONS.

- Effective Date: Immediate.
- Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Subcommittee for Legislative Relief)].
Current Rule

• A student-athlete may participate as a graduate or postbaccalaureate student, provided:

• The student-athlete is continuing enrollment at the institution he or she most recently attended as an undergraduate; and

• The student-athlete has seasons of participation and semesters remaining.
Current Rule

• A student-athlete may participate as a graduate or postbaccalaureate student at a school other than the institution most recently attended as an undergraduate through a waiver if:
  
  o The student-athlete received an undergraduate degree ahead of schedule (fewer than four consecutive years) with no breaks in enrollment; and
Current Rule

- The student-athlete received an undergraduate degree with a minimum 3.000 cumulative GPA.

Or

- Other extraordinary circumstances exist.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• Allows a student who has graduated from an NCAA Division III institution to participate as a graduate or postbaccalaureate student at any Division III institution, provided:

  o The student-athlete is enrolled and seeking a second baccalaureate or graduate degree; and

  o The student-athlete has seasons of participation and semesters remaining.

• Effective Date: August 1, 2018.

• Source: Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and State University of New York Athletic Conference.
Current Rule

An institution may conduct its first basketball (men’s and women’s) contest on November 15.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• May conduct its first basketball (men’s and women’s) contest on November 8.

Maintains:
• When the first contest date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or Monday, institutions may play on the Friday immediately preceding the first contest date.
PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – ICE HOCKEY – FIRST
PERMISSIBLE ON-ICE PRACTICE DATE – SECOND
MONDAY IN OCTOBER.

• Effective Date: August 1, 2018.

• Source: Middle Atlantic Conferences and Minnesota
  Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Current Rule

First on-ice practice session in hockey may occur on the third Monday in October.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

First on-ice practice session may occur on the second Monday in October.
NCAA Proposal No. 2018-9

AMATEURISM – PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES – INSTITUTIONAL, CHARITABLE, EDUCATIONAL OR NONPROFIT PROMOTIONS – EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT.

• Effective Date: August 1, 2018.

• Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Interpretations and Legislation Committee).
Current Rule

An institution conducting a promotional activity in conjunction with a charitable, educational or nonprofit agency, must obtain a signed release statement ensuring that a student-athlete’s name, likeness, appearance or image is used in a manner consistent with the promotional activities legislation.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

This proposal would remove the signature requirement and instead require an institution to provide educational material to the charitable, educational or nonprofit 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 promotional activities legislation.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

This proposal would remove the signature requirement and instead require an institution to provide educational material to the charitable, educational or nonprofit 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 promotional activities legislation.
REVIEW AND DISCUSS PROPOSALS NOs. 5 AND 6
PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – FOOTBALL – ESTABLISHING PRESEASON START DATE 25 DAYS FROM FIRST PERMISSIBLE SATURDAY CONTEST.

• **Effective Date**: August 1, 2018.

• **Source**: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee)].
Current Rule

• An institution may not commence official preseason football practice before the date that will permit a maximum of 25 practice opportunities before its first game or before the Friday after the first contest if the contest is scheduled for a Thursday.
• A day off per week is not required before the start of classes.
• Footballs may not be used during walk through sessions.
• Only one traditional practice per day (3 hours).
• One walk through session allowed per day (1 hour).
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• The first permissible practice date shall be 25 days before the first permissible Saturday contest date (regardless of the institution's actual first contest date).

• Expenses may not be provided before this date.
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• A day off from physical athletically related activity shall be provided during the first six days of preseason which includes the five-day acclimatization period.

• A day off from physical athletically related activity shall be provided during each remaining week of the preseason practice period (prior to the week of the first contest).
What It Does – Proposed Rule cont.

• On-field activity (a practice session and a walk-through session) shall be limited to a combined total of four hours in length per day with a practice session not to exceed three hours.

• Footballs may be used during walk-through sessions following the five-day acclimatization period.
# What It Does – Proposed Rule cont.

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Proposal Feedback

• NADIIIAA comments.
• Open forum.
NCAA Proposal No. 2018-6

• PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS – ANNUAL CONTEST EXEMPTIONS – ALUMNI CONTEST.

• **Effective Date:** August 1, 2018.

• **Source:** Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Little East Conference, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Middle Atlantic Conferences, and Ohio Athletic Conference.
Current Rule

• Each sport is permitted to exempt, from its maximum number of contests or dates of competition, the following:
  o Conference championship competition.
  o Season-ending tournament competition (e.g., NCAA championship).
  o Two scrimmages, exhibitions or joint practices (discretionary exemptions).

• The two scrimmages, exhibitions or joint practices may occur prior to the first permissible contest date (all sports other than wrestling).
What It Does – Proposed Rule

• Adds an annual exemption for one alumni contest per sport during any segment/period, with the exception of football.

• Currently, the alumni contest must be conducted as one of the two scrimmages, exhibitions or joint practices exemptions.
Proposal Feedback

• NADIIIAAA comments.
• Open forum.