Division II Newly Adopted Legislation and Governance

Regional Rules Seminar

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Overview

• 2014 NCAA Convention Adopted Legislation
• Path to Graduation Package
  Discussion of educational initiatives.
• Governance Update
  Legislative update.
  ◦ East Region Compliance Seminar.
  ◦ Strategic plan.
  ◦ Military Pilot Program.
  ◦ Division II branding enhancement.
  ◦ AMA federated model.
• 2015 Convention Preview

Sport Safety Package
NCAA Proposal No. 2014-1: Catastrophic Injury Reporting

• Annually, member institutions will be required to submit data regarding any SA fatalities and catastrophic injuries.

• NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspect of Sports will establish the policies and procedures for submission of applicable data.

Effective Date: August 1, 2014.

Proposal No. 2014-24: Designation of Team Physician

• Institutions must designate a team physician with oversight of medical services for SA injuries and illnesses.

• Must be a MD or DO and have a license to practice medicine in the institution’s state.

• Can have one physician for all teams or a group of physicians.

Effective Date: August 1, 2014.

Proposal No. 2014-23: Duration of Ineligibility - Street Drugs

• A SA who tests positive for a street drug must be withheld from the next 50 percent of the season of competition in all sports.

• Fifty percent is determined by the NCAA Bylaw 17 maximum.

• Street drugs, as currently defined by the NCAA banned-drug list, include:
  ▫ Marijuana;
  ▫ Heroin;
  ▫ THC and
  ▫ Synthetic cannabinoids.

Effective Date: August 1, 2014, for any drug test administered on or after August 1, 2014.

NOTE: NCAA Division II Administrative Committee voted to delay implementation of year-round testing for marijuana, previously planned to begin during the 2014-15 academic year.
Proposal No. 2014-9: Modeling, Advertisements and Promotional Activities Following Enrollment

- A SA may endorse a commercial product following initial collegiate enrollment provided:
  - SA became involved independent of the athletics reputation or ability;
  - No reference is made to SA’s athletics involvement; and
  - SA is paid the going rate based on skill and experience.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2014.
Proposal No. 2014-2: Contact at the Site of Competition After Signing a Written Commitment

• Once a PSA signs a written commitment, a coach may have contact with the PSA and/or the PSA’s relatives/legal guardians on the day(s) of competition.

• Written commitment = NLI, written offer of admission and/or athletically related financial aid.

• Contact can occur at any site.

Effective Date: Immediate.


• Permits an institution to publish nonathletics institutional advertisements in high school and two-year college athletics publications.

• Advertisement cannot include any reference to athletics, including pictures.

Effective Date: Immediate.

Proposal No. 2014-4: Timing of Tryouts

• Established timing of tryouts for high school or prep school PSAs:
  ▫ May be conducted at any time outside the SA’s high school’s traditional season in the sport.

• Traditional season begins with the first official team practice for the high school or prep school in that sport and concludes with the team’s final competition.

• First permissible date for a tryout did not change.

Effective Date: June 15, 2014.
Proposal No. 2014-20: Official and Unofficial Visits

Complimentary Admissions
- Not permissible to provide a complimentary admission to a conference tournament even if the event is being hosted on the institution’s campus.

Parking
- May arrange special parking during an unofficial visit.

Transportation
- Institution may not pay any transportation costs if a PSA participates in an institutional camp or clinic immediately prior to or after an official visit.

Proposal No. 2014-20: Official and Unofficial Visits, continued

Official Visit Meals
- May provide the cost of actual meals on an official visit.

Unofficial Visit Meals
- May provide one meal, on or off campus, during an unofficial visit regardless of whether institutional dining facilities are open.

Effective Date: June 15, 2014.


- PSA may take an official visit starting June 15 immediately preceding the PSA's junior year in high school.
  - Date aligns with all other recruiting functions.
- PSA must present a current transcript (official or unofficial) prior to an official visit.
  - Permissible to use transcript on file with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

Effective Date: June 15, 2014.

• Defines a “similar proficiency examination”:
  ▫ Must be an advanced or higher level, nationally administered proficiency exam with a uniform grading scale that is taken after high school graduation.

• Assures consistency in certifications of domestic and international PSAs.

• NCAA Eligibility Center will certify the eligibility of international SAs pursuant to the advanced placement requirements.

Effective Date: August 1, 2014.
Proposal No. 2014-6: Expenses to Receive Noninstitutional Awards

- SAs may receive actual and necessary expenses to receive a noninstitutional award.
- Multiple permissible entities (e.g., institution, awarding agency).
- Up to two of the SA’s relatives may also receive actual and necessary expenses to attend the event.

Effective Date: August 1, 2014.

Proposal No. 2014-7: Expenses for Collegiate All-Star Contests

- Institutions may provide actual and necessary expenses for a SA to participate in one collegiate all-star contest after exhausting eligibility in the sport.
- Institution is responsible for determining actual and necessary expenses.

Effective Date: August 1, 2014.

Playing and Practice Seasons
Proposal No. 2014-12: Conference Challenge Event

- In basketball, not more than two contests played as part of a conference challenge event may be exempted annually from the maximum number of contest limitations.
  - No changes to the application of the legislation.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2014.


- In football, beginning June 1 through the conclusion of an institution’s summer vacation period, strength and conditioning personnel may design and conduct workout programs for SAs, as specified.
  - Workouts may not be required.

**Effective Date:** June 1, 2014.


- Strength and conditioning coach conducting such workouts must:
  - Perform strength and conditioning duties for at least one other intercollegiate team at the institution during the academic year.
  - Be certified through a national strength and conditioning program.
  - Maintain a current certification in first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and automatic external defibrillator (AED) use.

- Workouts may not include football-specific plays.
- SAs from other sports are not permitted to participate in conducted workouts.
- Incoming SAs (freshman and transfers) may participate provided they have signed an NLI or written offer of admission and/or financial aid.


- Coaching staff not conducting the workout may not be present.
- Legislation only applies in the summer.
  - Does not apply to voluntary workouts during the academic year.

Proposal No. 2014-14: Triathlon

- Added women's triathlon as an emerging sport for women.
- Established legislation related to amateurism, recruiting, financial aid, playing and practice seasons and membership in Division II.
- Emerging sports must demonstrate steady growth within a 10-year time period to remain on this list.

Effective Date: August 1, 2014.
Proposal No. 2014-15:
Freshman Academic Requirements

- Established sliding scales for initial eligibility.
  - Sliding scale for qualifiers requires a 2.200 minimum GPA.
  - Sliding scale for partial qualifiers requires a 2.000 minimum GPA.
- In order to be a partial qualifier, PSAs must earn 16 core courses.

Effective Date: August 1, 2018, for SAs initially enrolling in a collegiate institution on or after August 1, 2018.
Sliding Scales

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Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements

Proposal Nos. 2014-16 and 2014-18:
Progress-Toward-Degree Requirements

Good Academic Standing

- More focus on good academic standing requirements.
- No change to current application of good academic standing requirements.
Proposal Nos. 2014-16 and 2014-18, continued

Nine-Semester/Eight-Quarter Hours per Full-time Term

- Same application as the current six-hour rule.
- Transfer SAs must satisfy the nine-semester/eight-quarter hour requirement.

Proposal Nos. 2014-16 and 2014-18, continued

18-Semester/27-Quarter Hours during the Regular Academic Year

- New rule for Division II.
- Alternative to limiting summer hours.
- Replaces the 75/25 rule.

Proposal Nos. 2014-16 and 2014-18, continued

18-Semester/27-Quarter Hours during the Regular Academic Year

- “Regular academic year” begins with the start of the fall term and concludes with institution’s spring commencement.
- Credit hours earned during an interim term (e.g., J-term, mini term) may be used to satisfy this requirement provided the term occurs after the start of the fall term and prior to spring commencement.
18-semester/27-Quarter Hours during the Regular Academic Year

- A midyear enrollee or midyear transfer is not subject to the requirement for the fall term immediately following the student-athlete’s initial full-time enrollment at the certifying institution.
- In subsequent years, completion of the 18-semester/27-quarter hour requirement shall be certified prior to the beginning of each academic year based on the SA’s record since the beginning of the previous fall term.

2,000 GPA Prior to the Beginning of each Fall Term

- GPA calculated in accordance with institutional policy.
- May “get well” at midyear.
- Term-by-term GPA check not required unless dictated by institutional good academic standing policy.

Annual Credit Hours – Years One and Two

- 24-semester/36-quarter hours per year (including summer).
- Ability to earn credits over two years to reach cumulative total of 48.

Annual Credit Hours – Year Three and Beyond

- 24-semester/36-quarter hours per year (including summer).
- No averaging permitted.
Proposal Nos. 2014-16 and 2014-18, continued

Annual Credit Hours

- Transfer students must be certified using the actual method.
- Credit earned prior to enrollment at the certifying institution may only be used in year one (or following year two if certifying using the cumulative credit-hour option to certify).

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Proposal Nos. 2014-16 and 2014-18

Effective Dates

- August 1, 2016, for certifications of progress toward degree for fall 2016 and thereafter.
- Fall 2016 certifications will be based on academic record during 2015-16 academic year.
Two-Year College Transfer Requirements

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12 semester- or quarter-hours of transferable degree credit

- 12-semester or 12-quarter-hours of transferable degree credit per term of attendance:
  - Six-semester/eight-quarter hours of transferable English;
  - Three-semester/four-quarter hours of transferable math; and
  - Three-semester/four-quarter hours of transferable science

Graduate

Cumulative GPA of 2.000

Limit of two physical education activity credits for credit requirements and GPA

Proposal No. 2014-19: Two-Year College Transfer Requirements

- Practice and financial aid available for nonqualifier who meets all the two-year transfer requirements EXCEPT the 2.200 GPA but has a minimum 2.000 GPA.

- Exception to physical education activity requirements.
  - If enrolling at four-year institution in physical education degree or degree in education with activity course requirement.
Proposal No. 2014-19: Two-Year College Transfer Requirements

Effective Date: August 1, 2016, for SAs initially enrolling in a Division II institution on or after August 1, 2016.

Path to Graduation Educational Initiative

Educational Initiative

- Initial-eligibility information will be widely dispersed by NCAA Eligibility Center.
- Educational columns currently available on LSDBi.
- Staff has been directed to develop a comprehensive educational package in preparation for the implementation of the Path to Graduation package.
  - What tools are most useful to you on campus or in your conference?
Proposal No. 2014-11: Championships
Selection Criteria

- Following confirmation of the availability of SA s for NCAA championships and application of nullification, required selection criteria will be used for all Division II team sports.
  - Overall Division II in-region winning percentage;
  - Overall Division II winning percentage;
  - Overall Division II strength of schedule (opponents’ average winning percentage and opponents’ opponents’ average winning percentage);
  - Division II head to head competition; and
  - Results versus Division II common opponents.

Proposal No. 2014-11: Championships
Selection Criteria, continued

- A governing sports committee may select not more than three additional sport-specific criteria from a list approved by the NCAA Division II Championships Committee.

- Accompanied by policy changes.

Effective Date: August 1, 2015.
Membership Process

NCAA Proposal No. 2014-10: Membership Process

- Amends the requirements an institution must satisfy in order to become an active member of Division II.

Terminology
- For consistency purposes, eliminates the candidacy language so each year of process is considered provisional.

Assessment Requirements
- NCAA staff, membership representative and vendor visit in year one.
- Completion of NCAA Compliance Blueprint review in year two.
- Outside vendor assessment in year three.

Proposal No. 2014-10: Membership Process, continued

Compliance with NCAA Legislation

- **Year One**: Must comply with sports sponsorship, full-time enrollment and good academic standing requirements.

- **Year Two**: Must comply with all NCAA legislation.

- **Year Three**: Must comply with all NCAA legislation.
Proposal No. 2014-10: Membership Process, continued

Attendance Requirements

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Proposal No. 2014-10: Membership Process, continued

Effective Date: September 1, 2014, for any institution making application to enter the membership process February 1, 2015, and thereafter.

Governance Update
Governance Update Overview

Legislative Update

- Bylaw 15 review.

2015 Convention Proposals

NCAA Division II Proposal No. 2015-1

NCAA MEMBERSHIP – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERSHIP AND INSTITUTIONAL GOVERNANCE – ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL – FULL-TIME DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS AND COMPLIANCE ADMINISTRATOR WITH NO COACHING DUTIES

Effective date: August 1, 2018.

Sponsor: Division II Presidents Council (Management Council (Membership Committee)).
WHAT IT DOES

• **Current rule:** Institutions applying for Division II membership are required to have a full-time athletics director and compliance administrator with no coaching duties.

• **Proposal:** Would require all Division II institutions to have a full-time athletics director and compliance administrator with no coaching duties.

NCAA Constitution 3.3.4 and 6.1 and Bylaw 11

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Proposal No. 2015-2

**AMATEURISM — PARTICIPATION OF SIGNED PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES IN INSTITUTIONAL FUNDRAISERS OR PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**Effective date:** Immediate.

**Sponsor:** Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

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WHAT IT DOES

• **Current rule:** In the summer prior to initial collegiate enrollment, PSAs are permitted to use institutional facilities for voluntary athletically related activities and be employed at institutional camps or clinics, but may not participate in institutional fundraisers.

• **Proposal:** Would permit a PSA who has committed to the institution and graduated from high school to participate in institutional fundraisers and receive actual and necessary expenses for participation.

Bylaws 12.5.1.1 and 13.2.2
Proposal No. 2015-3

AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- TEAM ENTERTAINMENT -- IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRACTICE OR COMPETITION

Effective date: August 1, 2015.

Sponsor: Division II Presidents Council [Management Council (Legislation Committee)].

WHAT IT DOES

- **Current rule:** Institutions may only pay for team entertainment during an institutional vacation period or in conjunction with an away-from-home contest.

- **Proposal:** Would permit institutions to provide team entertainment at any time in conjunction with practice or competition, allowing discretion for team building activities and other entertainment during the academic year.

  Bylaw 17 restrictions would continue to apply for any activities with an athletics nexus.

  **Bylaw 16.7**

Governance Update Overview

- East Region Compliance Seminar.
  - Pilot program.
- Strategic Plan update.
- Military Pilot Program.
- Division II branding enhancement.
- AMA federated model.
Questions?