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This publication presents the proposals that have been submitted for consideration by the 65 member institutions and 15 student-athletes of the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big Ten Conference, Big 12 Conference, Pac-12 Conference and Southeastern Conference during the 2019-20 legislative cycle.

Division I Autonomy Legislative Process for the 2019-20 Legislative Cycle

November 15 (5 p.m. Eastern time) - December 15 (5 p.m. Eastern time):

- Comment period.

December 1 (5 p.m. Eastern time):

- Deadline for sponsors to refine and/or adjust their own proposals (i.e., sponsor modification period).
- All modifications permissible, provided they are germane to the concept of the original proposal.
- Deadline for autonomy conferences to submit amendments to proposals (i.e., amendment to amendment period).
- Amendments may not expand the scope of the original proposal.

December 15:

- NCAA Division I Autonomy Official Notice available, which includes final versions of autonomy proposals.
- Additional amendments-to-amendments that do not expand the scope of the original proposal may be submitted prior to or during the autonomy business session at the NCAA Convention.

January 2019 (before the NCAA Convention):

- Potential electronic voting on proposals that are not related to strategic priorities (not nationally significant or do not significantly alter the collegiate experience) are noncontroversial or are administrative in nature.
- The 80 representatives of the five autonomy conferences (including 15 student-athletes) vote on autonomy strategic proposals and amendments.

[Note: In the following proposals, those letters and words that appear in ~~italics and strikethrough~~ are to be deleted and those letters and words that appear in **bold** face and are underlined are to be added.]

Athletics Personnel

No. 2019-100 AUTONOMY PROPOSAL -- ATHLETICS PERSONNEL -- GRADUATE ASSISTANT COACH -- FOUR COMPLIMENTARY ADMISSIONS TO ALL ATHLETICS EVENTS -- WOMEN'S ROWING AND SWIMMING AND DIVING

Intent: In women's rowing and swimming and diving, to permit a graduate assistant coach to receive four complimentary tickets to all the institution's intercollegiate athletics events.

Bylaws: Amend 11.01.4, as follows:

11.01.4 Coach, Graduate Assistant -- Women's Rowing and Swimming and Diving. In women's rowing and swimming and diving (see Bylaw 11.7.6.2.8), a graduate assistant coach is any coach who has received a baccalaureate degree and qualifies for appointment as a graduate assistant under the policies of the institution. The individual is not required to be enrolled in a specific graduate degree program unless required by institutional policy. The following provisions shall apply:

[11.01.4-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The individual may not receive compensation or remuneration in excess of the value of a full grant-in-aid for a full-time student, based on the resident status of that individual, and the receipt of four complimentary tickets to all the institution's intercollegiate ~~football and basketball games~~ **athletics events**;

[11.01.4-(c) through 11.01.4-(j) unchanged.]

[11.01.4.1 unchanged.]

Source: Big 12 Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Athletics Personnel

Rationale: Currently, a graduate assistant coach is limited to four complimentary tickets to the institution's intercollegiate football and basketball games. Limiting a graduate assistant coach to four complimentary tickets in these sports is inconsistent with the benefits provided to other coaches. Allowing a graduate assistant coach to receive four complimentary tickets to all an institution's intercollegiate athletics events would be a nominal benefit and would reduce the monitoring burden related to complimentary tickets. This proposal would also provide an opportunity for a graduate assistant coach to assist in additional on-campus recruiting efforts and provide general support to all other teams at the institution. An institution could still determine the appropriate allotment and administration of the complimentary tickets.

Estimated Budget Impact: Minimal and variable based on institutional decision to provide graduate assistant coaches complimentary admissions.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): None.

Position Statement(s):

None

History:

Nov 1, 2019: Submitted to National Office

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Athletics Personnel and Awards, Benefits and Expenses

No. 2019-101 AUTONOMY PROPOSAL -- ATHLETICS PERSONNEL AND AWARDS, BENEFITS AND EXPENSES -- PARALYMPIC AND PARAPAN AMERICAN GAMES AND PARALYMPIC TEAMS

Intent: To specify that legislation applicable to the Olympic Games and Olympic teams and athletes shall apply to the Paralympic Games and Paralympic teams and athletes; further, to specify that legislation applicable to the Pan American Games shall apply to the Parapan American Games.

A. Bylaws: Amend 11, as follows:

11 Conduct and Employment of Athletics Personnel

[11.01 through 11.7 unchanged.]

11.7.1.1.3 Replacement for National ~~or~~, Olympic **or Paralympic** Team Coaches. An institution may replace a coach temporarily or on a limited basis when that coach takes a leave of absence to participate on or to coach a national team ~~or~~, Olympic **or Paralympic** team, provided the replacement is limited to a one-year period and the coach who is replaced performs no recruiting or other duties on behalf of the institution.

[11.7.1.2 unchanged.]

[11.7.2 through 11.7.6 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 16, as follows:

16 Awards, Benefits and Expenses for Enrolled Student-Athletes

[16.01 through 16.7 unchanged.]

16.8 Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition.

16.8.1 Permissible. An institution, conference or the NCAA may provide actual and necessary expenses to a student-athlete to represent the institution in practice and competition (including expenses for activities/travel that are incidental to practice or competition). In order to receive competition-related expenses, the student-athlete must be eligible for competition. [D]

[16.8.1.1 unchanged.]

16.8.1.2 Other Competition. During an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the following summer), an institution may provide actual and necessary expenses related to participation in the following activities: [R]

[16.8.1.2-(a) unchanged.]

(b) The Olympic Games, **Paralympic Games**, Pan American Games, **Parapan American Games**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) and World University Championships or the junior level equivalent competition (e.g., Youth Olympic Games, Junior World Championships, U19 World University Games) and specific competition (e.g., Olympic **or Paralympic** Trials) from which participants may directly qualify for such events; and

(c) National team tryout competition events to determine members of a national team that will participate in the Olympic Games, **Paralympic Games**, Pan American Games, **Parapan American Games**, World Championships, World Cup, World University Games (Universiade) or World University Championships or the junior level equivalent competition, including events from which participants are selected for another tier of tryout competition or events from which final selections are made for the national team .

[16.8.1.3 unchanged.]

[16.8.2 unchanged.]

[16.9 through 16.12 unchanged.]

Source: Atlantic Coast Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big Ten Conference, Pac-12 Conference and Southeastern Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Category: Amendment

Topical Area: Athletics Personnel and Awards, Benefits and Expenses

Rationale: In June 2019, the United States Olympic Committee announced that it had formally changed its name to the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee. The change represented the USOPC's continued support and inclusion of Paralympic athletes. In partnership with the USOPC, NCAA legislation should be updated to reflect similar support and inclusion of Paralympic athletes. Paralympic student-athletes have voiced the need to include Paralympic references throughout NCAA legislation. The same benefits and opportunities that are

afforded to Olympic Games and Pan American Games participants should be provided to student-athletes who participate in the Paralympic Games and Parapan American Games.

Estimated Budget Impact: Potential increase to the extent expenses are provided to Paralympic student-athletes to participate in other permissible competition.

Impact on Student-Athlete's Time (Academic and/or Athletics): None.

Position Statement(s):

None

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