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On behalf of the NCAA Board of Governors, the Division I Board of Directors, the Divisions II and III Presidents Councils, the Division I Council and the Divisions II and III Management Councils, we extend a cordial invitation to each NCAA member to be represented at the Association’s 114th Annual Convention scheduled January 22 through 25, 2020, in Anaheim, California.

It is our pleasure to issue this Official Notice of the 2020 NCAA Convention. This publication is sent to the chancellor or president, director of athletics, senior compliance administrator, faculty athletics representative and senior woman administrator at each active NCAA Division III member institution, as well as to the officers of member conferences and provisional member institutions.

This Official Notice contains legislation for consideration at the Division III business session of the Convention, including amendments-to-amendments. It also contains the necessary information concerning the accreditation of delegates, voting procedures and other Convention policies. We encourage each member to review the information related to the activities in which you will be involved before attending the Convention. It is particularly important that each Division III delegate bring a copy of the Official Notice to the Convention. The Official Notice will be the only publication containing all Division III Convention legislation.

In addition to the consideration of legislation, Division III delegates also may participate in educational and discussion sessions about topics of concern within the division and the Association.

We hope you will arrive in time to join delegates from all divisions at the NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (formerly known as the opening business session) Thursday evening. The NCAA delegates reception will be held Thursday evening immediately after the plenary session.

We hope that each member of the Association will be in attendance at the 2020 Convention. We look forward to seeing you in Anaheim, California.

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Accrediting of Delegates

Association policy provides that the appointment of accredited and visiting delegates is the responsibility of the chancellor or president of each member institution or organization. **In November 2019, a link to the appointment of delegate website was emailed to the chancellor or president of all member institutions and organizations. The link was also made available on the NCAA website at www.ncaaconvention.com under the Appointment of Delegate section.**

*It is important that the voting delegate be properly accredited, and this is to urge appointing officers to submit the required information to the NCAA national office at their earliest convenience.*

Please note that the governance structure of each division urges member institutions to include women in their NCAA Convention delegations.

An institution’s or organization’s chancellor or president shall appoint the voting and alternate delegates by completing the online delegate appointment form. The transfer of voting rights among the delegates is a matter of institutional discretion.

If an institution’s or organization’s chancellor or president fails to submit the online delegate appointment form, that institution’s representatives will be registered as visitors until the chancellor or president certifies in writing the voting and alternate delegates. No other institutional representatives are permitted to complete a delegate appointment form.

Once the online delegate appointment form has been verified by the chancellor or president, no one may be added as a voting or alternate delegate without written instructions from that chancellor or president. Thus, no individual appointed as a visitor may become a voter or alternate without written authorization from the chancellor or president.

Visiting delegates, except in certain situations, do not have speaking privileges at the Convention.

At the Convention, each individual representing a member institution or conference who registers will receive a sage Convention badge designating the individual as a delegate, except each chancellor and president will receive a badge with a purple color designation signifying his or her professional title. Speakers and presenters for menu sessions will receive badges with a teal color designation. Convention vendors will receive badges with a denim color designation. Media will receive badges with a yellow color designation. Individuals attending the Convention as a visitor will receive a badge with a orange color designation. [See Appendix G].

Voting delegates receive red lanyards and alternate delegates receive blue lanyards. Other delegates with speaking rights receive green lanyards. Delegates without speaking rights and other observers receive white lanyards.

The Convention registration fee for NCAA members was $325 for all delegates who registered on or before Wednesday, October 9, and $450 for all delegates who register by Wednesday, November 27. Member registration fees on or after November 28 are $600.
The registration fee includes one ticket to the Delegates Reception and Delegates Breakfast. In addition, attendees will have the opportunity to receive one complimentary ticket to the Association Luncheon on a first-come, first-served basis and to purchase one ticket to the Honors Celebration for $20 on a first-come, first-served basis. Available tickets can be reserved during the Convention registration process.

Meetings and Reservations

A listing of Convention meetings of the NCAA and its affiliated organizations was made available to the membership in mid-September. An online registration process was also made available for event registration and hotel reservations. If there is anything further the NCAA can do to facilitate your attendance at the Association’s 2020 Convention, please call upon us.

Please note that the Convention schedule of events is available on the NCAA website (www.ncaa.org/convention). In addition, the Convention program (available through the Convention app and in print in limited quantities) contains the most up-to-date schedule of meetings held in conjunction with the Convention.

The Convention officially begins when the NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (formerly opening business session) convenes at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 23. Adjournment of the Convention has been scheduled for Saturday, January 25.

Proposed Amendments

The proposed amendments to be considered at the 114th Annual Convention begin on Page No. 1. All amendments, if adopted, become effective as indicated in each proposal.

It is important that each Division III delegate bring a copy of the Official Notice to the Convention, inasmuch as the Official Notice will be the only publication containing all Convention legislation for the 2020 Convention.

In accordance with the provisions of NCAA Constitution 5.3, an amendment to the Association's legislation may be proposed by the Division III Presidents Council, the Division III Management Council, 20 or more active Division III member institutions eligible to vote on the matter or two member conferences. The source is indicated in each proposal. When the Presidents Council or Management Council proposes an amendment originally recommended by a committee, the committee is indicated as well.

Please note that the Presidents Council is authorized to distribute during division or general business sessions information detailing positions on key legislative proposals.

Amendments-to-Amendments

In Division III, all amendments submitted by the membership in accordance with the July 15 deadline were printed in the Initial Publication of Proposed Legislation, which was provided to the membership via the NCAA website August 15. Sponsors of those proposals were permitted to revise them in any manner until September 15. In
the interim, the Division III Presidents Council and Management Council had until September 1 to submit its legislative proposals. All properly sponsored proposals were provided to the membership September 23 in the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation.

The Division III Presidents Council and Management Council, any 20 active Division III member institutions eligible to vote on a given issue or two member conferences had until November 1 to submit amendments to the original proposals, provided the amendment to the amendment did not increase the modification proposed by the original amendment. As a result of that deadline, all amendments-to-amendments are included in this Official Notice with the proposals they are intended to amend. Resolutions also were handled in accordance with those same deadlines and are included in this publication. No additional amendments-to-amendments or resolutions are permitted for the 2020 Convention unless they are sponsored by the Presidents or Management Council and distributed before or during the business session.

**Withdrawal of Proposal**

Sponsors who intend to withdraw a proposal are urged to notify the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff as soon as possible before the business session of the Convention at which the proposal is scheduled to be considered.

**Review of Interpretations**

The Interpretations and Legislation Committee issues interpretations as to the scope, meaning or effect of the constitution and bylaws applicable to Division III. These rulings are subject to review by the Division III membership upon the request of any member in accordance with Constitution 5.4.1.4. Any Division III member to which an interpretation applies may request a review of the interpretation by making such a request in writing to the academic and membership affairs staff via electronic mail to Jeff Myers, jmyers@ncaa.org and/or Bill Regan, bfregan@ncaa.org or the Association’s Convention office before 1 p.m. on the day before the Division III business session of the Convention.

**Interpretations to be Included in the NCAA Division III Manual**

The Interpretations and Legislation Committee is authorized to recommend interpretations to be incorporated in the next printing of the Division III Manual. Such incorporations are approved by the Division III Management Council and are printed in Appendix A in the Official Notice of the Convention.
Noncontroversial Amendments Adopted by the Presidents and Management Councils

The Management Council is authorized to adopt, in the interim between annual Conventions, noncontroversial legislative amendments that are necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the Association’s legislation, per Constitution 4.8.3-(d) and 5.3.1.1.1. That authorization requires a three-fourths majority vote of the Management Council. The Management Council then submits to the next annual Division III business session the amendments that have been adopted under its authorization. The noncontroversial amendments adopted by the Management Council in 2019 appear in Appendix B. Approval of the Official Convention Notice during the Division III business session constitutes ratification of these amendments.

Modifications of Wording Adopted by the Presidents and Management Councils

The Management Council is authorized to adopt, in the interim between annual Conventions, proposals that are consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the original legislation when sufficient documentation and testimony exist to establish clearly that the original wording of the legislation was inconsistent with that intent, per Constitution 5.4.1.1.1. That authorization requires a two-thirds majority vote of the Management Council. The Management Council then submits to the next annual Division III business session the amendments that have been adopted under this authorization. The modifications adopted by the Management Council in 2019 appear in Appendix C. Approval of the Official Convention Notice during the Division III business session constitutes ratification of these actions.

Order of Business

The NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (formerly opening business session) of the 114th Annual Convention will begin at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 23. The "State of the Association" address by the NCAA president will be presented orally during that general session.

At the Division III business session the various proposals will be taken up in their numerical order, unless that order is changed at the Convention. All proposals are designated for a roll-call vote. The provisions of Constitution 5.1.4.3.3 specify that federated legislation pertaining to a single division or more than a single division of the Association my be acted upon by the appropriate divisions during the separate division business sessions.

Amendments for the annual Convention will be presented as indicated on page xiii. For convenience of reference, an index (Appendix D) lists the proposals in the order in which they would appear in the constitution and bylaws in the Division III Manual.

In each grouping of related items (either amendments or amendments-to-amendments), the Association’s established procedure will be followed. The membership will consider first the proposal that contemplates the greatest modification of the present circumstance, followed by other proposals in the order of
decreasing modification. In some instances, when a proposal in such a grouping is adopted, those that follow in that grouping become moot.

**Voting Procedures**

Methods of voting shall be in accordance with Constitution 5.1.4.4. Each voting delegate, when registering, receives a "voting paddle" for use in indicating the institution’s vote when the chair calls for a "paddle" vote. Voting delegates receive paddles of different colors to indicate their division status. Voting paddles for those with special voting circumstances are marked as set forth in Appendix G.

The Association uses an electronic voting system for roll-call and general votes. Upon registering for the Convention, each voting delegate receives a voting unit identification card that has been coded for that member institution or conference. The voting delegate must show the voting unit identification card contained in the registration envelope to obtain an electronic voting unit during the business session. The delegate will insert the voting unit identification card into the voting unit. The voting unit becomes active when the voting unit identification card is inserted. Voting unit identification cards are specifically coded for each member institution or conference; therefore, it is important to confirm you are using the correct voting unit identification card.

To place a vote, the delegate will press (1) to support, (2) to oppose and (3) to abstain. The number the delegate chooses will appear on the screen of the voting unit until the vote is received by the system. The delegate may change his or her vote prior to the vote closing by pressing a second number. The voting results will be displayed on the screens following each vote.

The voting unit identification card and the voting unit should be left at the delegate’s chair at the conclusion of the business session or promptly returned to the Convention registration desk.

Amendments to federated provisions are voted on by divisions, with a majority vote required for approval. In such instances (federated provisions), each division is committed to the result of its counted vote.

Delegates are urged to register and receive their voting materials before the NCAA Plenary Session: State of College Sports (formerly opening business session) which begins at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, January 23. In addition, all voting in the division business sessions shall be by show of paddles or by electronic roll-call votes, rather than by voice or hand.

**Memorial Resolutions**

At the time of the annual Convention, members of the Association honor by memorial resolution those persons closely associated with intercollegiate athletics who passed away during the year. It is requested that the names of persons to be honored in this manner be submitted to the NCAA, P.O. Box 6222, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206-6222.
Administrative Structure

Rosters of the NCAA Board of Governors and Division III Presidents Council and Management Council are listed in Appendix H.

Request for Interpretations

Division III member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Official Notice in advance of the Convention. Information about requesting an interpretation appears in Appendix I.

All such requests must be received in the national office not later than Friday, November 29, 2019. Requests will be considered by the Interpretations and Legislation Committee and the decisions will be reviewed by the Division III Management Council in its pre-Convention meeting Wednesday, January 22. The resulting interpretations will be duplicated and distributed to the conferences for their pre-Convention meetings before the beginning of the business session Saturday, January 25.
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LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY THE MEMBERSHIP

[Note: In the following proposals:

- Those letters and words that appear in *italics and strikethrough* are to be deleted;
- Those letters and words that appear in **boldface and underlined** are to be added; and
- Those letters and words that appear in normal text are unchanged from the current Division III legislation.]

DIVISION III LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

The Division III Presidents Council has determined that it will deal primarily with those national issues in Division III athletics that prompt widespread concern among Division III chancellors or presidents.

Such legislative proposals developed by the Division III Management Council or by Division III committees reporting to it must be submitted to the Division III Presidents Council for review. They cannot be placed on the agenda for consideration at the Convention unless the Presidents Council agrees to sponsor them. Legislative proposals of an operational nature may be sponsored by the Management Council and placed on the agenda for consideration at the Convention.

The Division III Presidents Council has identified six proposals that it believes are of particular interest to Division III chancellors or presidents and has included them in the Presidents Council grouping. The Presidents Council identified all proposals in both the Presidents Council grouping and General grouping for roll call vote.
Intent: To specify that an active member institution or conference shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.

A. Constitution: Amend 3.2, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.2 Active Membership.

[3.2.1 through 3.2.3 unchanged.]

3.2.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.2.4.1 through 3.2.4.22 unchanged.]

3.2.4.23 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. An active member institution shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.

[3.2.5 through 3.2.6 unchanged.]

B. Constitution: Amend 3.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.3 Member Conference.

[3.3.1 through 3.3.3 unchanged.]

3.3.4 Conditions and Obligations of Membership.

[3.3.4.1 through 3.3.4.6 unchanged.]

3.3.4.7 Athletics Diversity and Inclusion Designee. An active member conference shall designate an athletics diversity and inclusion designee to be the primary contact and conduit for diversity and inclusion-related information.

[3.3.5 through 3.3.6 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee)].

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Rationale: The designation of an athletics diversity and inclusion designee symbolically and practically represents the Association’s recognition of inclusion as a core value. It also supports the Presidential Pledge and Commitment to Promoting Diversity and Gender Equity in Intercollegiate Athletics. It is the responsibility of each member institution to establish and maintain an environment that values cultural diversity and gender equity as acknowledged in Constitution 2.2.2 (Cultural Diversity and Gender Equity). While the NCAA national office provides valuable resources and programming to support the
membership’s efforts toward creating and maintaining inclusive environments, often institutional and conference personnel are not aware of available resources or opportunities. This proposal seeks to create a network of colleagues who will serve as the conduit for consistent and thorough dissemination of diversity and inclusion-related information between conference offices, campuses, the athletics departments and the NCAA. The staff member given the designation may be either internal or external to the athletics department. The contact information for the designated staff member will be entered on the institution or conference’s NCAA Sports Sponsorship and Demographics Form.

Budget Impact:

No. 2020-2 (2-3) DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- APPLICATION PROCESS -- PROVISIONAL INSTITUTION -- REDUCE WAITING PERIOD FROM FOUR YEARS TO THREE YEARS PLUS AN EXPLORATORY YEAR

Intent: To amend legislation related to the Division III provisional process as follows:
(1) For non-NCAA members, reduce the provisional process from four to three years; (2) Expect that process will continue to require an exploratory year; (3) While a waiver of exploratory membership will remain in place, there will no longer be a waiver during the provisional process; (4) Specify that if an institution is unable to gain full active membership within this time frame, there is a one-time opportunity to repeat a year in question, through recommendation of Membership Committee.

A. Constitution: Amend 3.6, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.6 Provisional Membership.

[3.6.1 through 3.6.3 unchanged.]

3.6.3.1.1 Fee -- Provisional Members. Each provisional member shall pay a nonrefundable fee of an amount determined annually by the Membership Committee based on an analysis of the expenses and benefits associated with the membership process. At the time of registration for the exploratory year, a portion of the fee, as determined by the Membership Committee, shall be due, and the remainder of the fee shall be due by September 1 of the first year of provisional membership. Provisional members in years one through four shall also pay NCAA dues.

[3.6.3.2 through 3.6.3.3 unchanged.]

[3.6.4 through 3.6.5 unchanged.]

3.6.5.4 Reinstatement of Terminated Member. Any provisional member whose membership is terminated may reapply for membership after a period of one year by the Membership Committee. The Membership Committee may grant credit to such an institution for any portion of the first two years of the four-year provisional period the institution previously completed as a provisional member, provided the portion was completed within the last 10 years.

B. Bylaws: Amend 20.02, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.02 Definitions and Applications.

[20.02.1 through 20.02.2 unchanged.]
20.02.3 Provisional Membership. Provisional membership is a prerequisite for active membership and shall not be less than a four-year period. During the third and fourth years of provisional membership, an institution shall administer its athletics programs in accordance with the constitution, bylaws and other legislation of the Association.

[20.02.4 through 20.02.7 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 20.3, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.3 Provisional Membership.

[20.3.1 through 20.3.2 unchanged.]

20.3.3 Four-Year Provision. Provisional membership shall not be less than a four-year period. At the end of the four-year period, a provisional member shall be eligible to apply for active membership (see Constitution 3.2.3).

20.3.3.1 Waivers.

20.3.3.1.1 General. At the completion of year two of the provisional membership process, an institution may apply for a waiver of the four-year provisional membership process. The Membership Committee may grant waivers of the four-year provision based on compelling evidence that the institution has:

(a) Satisfied sports sponsorship requirements (including minimum contests and participant requirements) in years one and two;

(b) Not awarded institutional financial aid based on athletics during any provisional year;

(c) Completed a successful financial aid report;

(d) Attended all required functions for provisional members (e.g., NCAA Convention, NCAA Regional Rules Seminar);

(e) Completed a successful year two on-campus visit;

(f) Displayed evidence of a properly functioning athletics compliance system. The preliminary program assessment shall be submitted with the waiver request;

(g) Not been required to repeat any year of provisional membership;

(h) Displayed evidence of effective mentoring by the Membership Committee or other Division III members; and

(i) Satisfied all other membership requirements.

20.3.3.10.21 Credit for Time Completed Previously as Provisional Member. The Membership Committee may waive any portion of the first two years of the four-year provisional period the institution previously completed as a provisional or reclassifying member.

20.3.3.10.32 Reclassification of Provisional Membership from Division II to Division III. The Division III Membership Committee may waive one year of the four-year provisional membership period if an institution reclassifies its provisional membership from Division II to Division III. The
waiver may be granted only if the institution meets Division III financial aid requirements and the minimum contest and participant requirements during its previous year of provisional membership. The institution shall serve a minimum of three total years of provisional membership before being considered for active membership. An institution that reclassifies its provisional membership from Division II to Division III shall comply with the provisional membership legislation in effect at the time of its reclassification.

[20.3.4 through 20.3.7 unchanged.]

**Source:** American Collegiate Athletic Association; American Southwest Conference; and USA South Athletic Conference

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** Division III has in place, strategies to limit membership growth. Those limiters have included a four-institution cap on applications of new members annually, an imposed moratorium to suspend applications, a five-year application process, and a number of reports and actions to move from one year to the next. While these steps have been successful in limiting growth, one inadvertent consequence has been the impression that we in Division III are exclusive. Many current enrollment-driven institutions find it extremely challenging to commit to a division that provides no access to NCAA national championships for an entire generation of students. Prospective members not currently associated with the NCAA need additional time to develop a full understanding of administrative and cultural expectations of our organization. To this end, a three-year waiting period is proposed for provisional members. This adjustment also allows for a flexible process should our organization need to quickly modify our approach to membership. If the institution fails to meet legislated expectations of membership, consistent with current legislation, they would have a one-time opportunity to repeat a year in the process.

**Budget Impact:** None

**Position Statement(s):** Presidents Council, Management Council and Membership Committee: Presidents Council, Management Council and Membership Committee support this proposal. Allowing prepared institutions to complete the transition to Division III in three years (plus an exploratory year) will provide student-athletes earlier access to NCAA championships, thereby benefitting their overall experience. Furthermore, the membership educational requirements can be effectively delivered during this period while still providing the Membership Committee the discretion to appropriately manage the process, as needed.

| No. 2020-3 (2-10) | DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- APPLICATION PROCESS -- RECLASSIFYING INSTITUTION -- REDUCE WAITING PERIOD FROM FOUR YEARS TO THREE YEARS |

**Intent:** To amend legislation related to the Division III reclassifying process as follows: (1) For current NCAA members reclassifying to Division III, reduce the number of years in the reclassifying process from four to three years; (2) The process will eliminate the one-year exploratory membership requirement; (3) Specify that if an institution is unable to gain full active membership within this time frame, there is a one-time opportunity to repeat a year in question, through recommendation of Membership Committee.

**Bylaws:** Amend 20.6, as follows:

[Roll Call]
20.6 Change of Division Membership.
[20.6.1 unchanged.]

20.6.2 Requesting Reclassification to Division III – Election Procedures.

20.6.2.1 Application Process.

20.6.2.1.1 Exploratory Year. An institution seeking reclassification to Division III must complete an exploratory year in accordance with Bylaw 20.3.1.1. During the exploratory year, the institution may submit an application for Division III membership in accordance with Bylaw 20.6.2.1.2.

20.6.2.1.2 Application for Reclassification. When petitioning for change of division membership to Division III, a member shall submit a form approved by the Membership Committee available from the national office. The form shall be received in the national office not later than January 15 of the exploratory year. Any form received after that date shall be postmarked not later than January 8. The application may be approved by the Membership Committee, provided the applicant institution satisfies all of the standards required for provisional applicants in Bylaw 20.3.1, except that an exploratory year is not required. Further, reclassifying members are subject to the same fees and dues required of provisional members specified in Constitution 3.6.3.1.1.

[20.6.2.1.2 renumbered as 20.6.2.1.1, unchanged.]

20.6.2.1.2 Fee -- Reclassifying Members. Each reclassifying member shall pay a nonrefundable fee of an amount determined annually by the Membership Committee based on an analysis of the expenses associated with the membership process. At the time of application a portion of the fee, as determined by the Membership Committee, shall be due, and the remainder of the fee shall be due by September 1 of the first year of reclassifying membership. Reclassifying members in years one through three shall also pay NCAA dues.

[20.6.3 unchanged.]

20.6.4 Four-Year Provision. Reclassifying membership shall not be less than a four-year period. At the end of the four-year period, a reclassifying member shall be eligible for active membership (see Constitution 3.2.3).

20.6.4.1 Exploratory Year Waiver. An institution in the reclassifying membership process may apply for a waiver of the exploratory year, consistent with the waiver available for the provisional membership process (see Bylaw 20.3.1.1.3).

20.6.4.2 Waiver. At the completion of year two of the reclassifying membership process, an institution may apply for a waiver of the four-year reclassification process, consistent with the waiver available for the four-year provisional membership process (see Bylaw 20.3.3.1).

[20.6.5 through 20.6.7 unchanged.]

20.6.8 Conditions and Obligations of Reclassifying Membership.

20.6.8.1 Education Program. Each reclassifying member must complete the provisional member education program administered by the Membership Committee before being granted active membership.
20.6.8.2 Determination of Reclassifying Membership Standing. A reclassifying member may be permitted to continue the four three-year reclassifying member process with or without conditions as determined by the Membership Committee in instances of noncompliance with Division III and/or reclassifying membership regulations.

20.6.8.3 Repeat of Reclassifying Membership. The Membership Committee may require a reclassifying member to repeat any one of the four three years of the reclassifying membership period. An institution may repeat only once during the four three-year reclassifying membership period.

[20.6.8.4 through 20.6.8.5 unchanged.]

[20.6.9 through 20.6.10 unchanged.]

Source: American Collegiate Athletic Association; American Southwest Conference and USA South Athletic Conference

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Rationale: Division III has strategies in place to manage membership growth. Those limits have included a four-institution cap on applications of new members annually, an imposed moratorium to suspend applications, a five-year application process, and a number of reports and actions to move from one year to the next. While these steps have been successful in limiting growth, one inadvertent consequence has been the impression that we in Division III are exclusive. Many current enrollment driven institutions find it challenging to commit to a division that provides no access to NCAA national championships and/or grant funding for an entire generation of students. This proposal accepts that current NCAA Divisions I or II members reclassifying understand the philosophy, history and culture of the NCAA and are committed to compliance as outlined in the Division III operating manual. Therefore, this proposal reduces the time to gain full membership by eliminating the exploratory year and one reclassifying year. This adjustment also allows for a flexible process should our organization need to quickly modify our approach to membership. If the institution fails to meet legislated expectations of membership, consistent with current legislation, they would have a one-time opportunity to repeat a year in the process.

Budget Impact: None

Position Statement(s): Presidents Council, Management Council and Membership Committee: Presidents Council, Management Council and Membership Committee support this proposal. The requirements for a reclassifying institution can be effectively delivered and achieved in three years, while still providing the Membership Committee the discretion to appropriately manage the process, as needed. Additionally, a shortened process will allow earlier access to NCAA championships, thereby enhancing the overall student-athlete experience.

Awards and Benefits -- Housing and Meals -- Exceptions -- Snacks and Nutritional Supplements Incident to Participation

No. 2020-4 (2-4) A.

Intent: To specify that an institution may provide snacks and permissible nutritional supplements to student-athletes as a benefit incidental to participation in intercollegiate athletics.

A. Bylaws: Amend 16.4, as follows:

[Roll Call]
16.4 Medical Expenses. An institution may finance medical-expense benefits incidental to a student-athlete’s participation in intercollegiate athletics. However, it is not permissible for an institution to finance nutritional supplements (e.g., weight gain, muscle/strength building, and weight loss supplements) as medical expense benefits incidental to a student-athlete’s participation in intercollegiate athletics. [R]

[16.4.1 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 16.5, as follows:

[Roll Call]

16.5 Housing and Meals. An institution may finance housing and meal benefits incidental to a student-athlete’s participation in intercollegiate athletics provided such housing and benefits are available to students in general. [R]

16.5.1 Exceptions.

[16.5.1-(a) through 16.5.1-(b) unchanged.]

(c) Meals Related to Institutional Committee Service. A student-athlete who serves on an institutional committee may receive expenses to cover the cost of a meal missed as a result of a committee meeting that occurs when regular institutional dining facilities are open.

(d) Meals in Conjunction with Home Competition. The institution may provide meals to student-athletes at the institution’s discretion on the day(s) of competition until they are released by institutional personnel. An institution shall not provide cash to student-athletes in lieu of meals during this time period. An institution, at its discretion, may provide a meal or cash, but not both, to student-athletes at the time of their release by institutional personnel.

[16.5.1-(e) relettered as 16.5.1-(d), unchanged.]

(e) Snacks and Nutritional Supplements. An institution may provide snacks and permissible nutritional supplements to student-athletes as a benefit incidental to participation and for the purpose of providing additional calories and electrolytes. Permissible nutritional supplements do not contain any NCAA banned substances and are identified according to the following classes: carbohydrate/electrolyte drinks, energy bars, carbohydrate boosters, protein supplements, omega-3 fatty acids, and vitamins and minerals.

[16.5.1.1 unchanged.]

C. Bylaws: Amend 16.11.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

16.11.1 Permissible.

[16.11.1.1 through 16.11.1.10 unchanged.]

16.11.1.11 Reasonable Refreshments. An institution may provide student-athletes with reasonable refreshments (e.g., soft drinks, snacks) for student-athlete educational and business meetings and, on an occasional basis, for celebratory events (e.g., birthdays). [R]

16.11.1.11 Meals and Snacks Related to Institutional Service and Programming.
16.11.1.11.1 Meals Related to Institutional Committee Service. A student-athlete who serves on an institutional committee may receive expenses to cover the cost of meals missed as a result of a committee meeting that occurs when regular institutional dining facilities are open.

Meals and Snacks Related to Educational and Business Meetings and Programs. An institution may provide meals and snacks for student-athlete educational and business meetings and programs, provided the meetings and programs are offered pursuant to Bylaw 16.3.

[16.11.1.12 through 16.11.1.15 unchanged.]

Source: Alvernia University; Berry College; East Texas Baptist University; Emory University; Farmingdale State College; Howard Payne University; Hardin-Simmons University; Knox College; LeTourneau University; Loras College; Maine Maritime Academy; McMurry University; Moravian College; Salve Regina University; Swarthmore College; Sweet Briar College; University of Dubuque; University of Lynchburg; University of Mary Hardin-Baylor; University of Texas at Dallas; University of Wisconsin-Whitewater; and Wilmington College (Ohio).

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Rationale: In addition to meals benefits allowed under current legislation, this proposal will permit an institution to provide snacks and permissible nutritional supplements to all-student-athletes at its discretion as a benefit incidental to participation in intercollegiate athletics. Such measures will help ensure that all student-athletes’ nutritional needs are met incidental to practice and other activities. This proposal is intended to provide flexibility to meet the student-athletes’ nutritional needs and to alleviate administrative burdens related to accounting for such benefits. Nutrition is not an issue of competitive advantage, but rather an issue of student-athlete health and safety. This proposal allows institutions to more fully provide for overall well-being of Division III student-athletes.

Budget Impact: Will vary per institution.

Position Statement(s): Presidents Council, Management Council, Interpretations and Legislation Committee, Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports: Presidents Council, Management Council, Interpretations and Legislation Committee, and Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sport, support this proposal. The proposal promotes the health and wellness of student-athletes by allowing an institution the flexibility to provide what it deems appropriate to meet the nutritional needs of its student-athletes. With this flexibility, each institution will have the discretion to determine the scope of the benefit, if any, it chooses to provide to student-athletes, without an increased regulatory burden.

No. 2020-5 (2-5) AWARDS AND BENEFITS -- EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION -- PERMISSIBLE PRACTICE EXPENSES -- EXCEPTIONS FOR GOLF AND SWIMMING AND DIVING

Intent: To allow an institution to provide practice expenses in the sports of Golf and Swimming and Diving during an official vacation period regardless of location.

Bylaws: Amend 16.8, as follows:

[Roll Call]

16.8 Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition.
16.8.1 Permissible. The permissible expenses for practice and competition that an institution may provide a student-athlete are defined in the following subsections (see Bylaw 16.10 for expenses that may be provided by individuals or organizations other than the institution).

16.8.1.1 Practice. Expenses may be paid for practice sessions only if they are associated with an away-from-home contest or conducted at a site located within the member institution’s state or, if outside that state, not more than 100 miles from the institution’s campus. [D]

[16.8.1.1 through 16.8.1.1.4 unchanged.]

16.8.1.1.5 Exception -- Golf and Swimming and Diving. An institution may provide actual and necessary travel expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging and meals) for golf and swimming and diving student-athletes at any location during an official vacation period, provided the student-athlete is eligible and no class is missed. [R]

[16.8.1.2 through 16.8.1.5 unchanged.]

Source: American Rivers Conference and Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: Student-athletes should have the ability to prepare under the right conditions without having to worry about fulfilling an artificial competition requirement. Our conferences have seen multiple violations of this legislation over the years in the sports of golf and swimming & diving. Golf for institutions in colder climates faces several challenges. Unlike some sports that routinely take trips to warmer climates during official vacation periods, golf and swimming and diving student-athletes’ best preparation for competition is enhanced significantly by outdoor participation. Golf and swimming & diving competition throughout the playing season is predominantly in multi-team events. Standalone dual matches are uncommon. Regardless, both formats have been difficult for our conferences’ members to organize during vacation-period trips. Finally, many institutions artificially manufacture competitions against outside competition (e.g., an alumni team that might only consist of recreational golfers or swimmers) or a joint practice with outside competition where a head-to-head scoring component isn’t even required. This proposal has an immediate effective date so women’s and men’s golf teams can use the exception this spring.

Budget Impact: Little to none. These trips already are occurring so there should be minimal budget impact.

Position Statement(s): Presidents Council, Management Council: Presidents Council and Management Council oppose this proposal. While this proposal addresses the unique challenges associated with the sport of golf, the inclusion of swimming and diving, which does not share those challenges, unnecessarily expands the scope of the proposal. Expansion to other sports, should not be reviewed on a sport-by-sport basis, but rather as part of a broader review to determine the extent and impact of allowing practice trips beyond the current parameters.

No. 2020-5-1 AWARDS AND BENEFITS – EXPENSES PROVIDED BY THE INSTITUTION FOR PRACTICE AND COMPETITION – PERMISSIBLE PRACTICE EXPENSES – EXCEPTION FOR GOLF

Intent: To allow an institution to provide practice expenses in the sport of Golf during an official vacation period regardless of location.
Bylaws: Amend 16.8.1.1, as follows:

[Roll Call]

16.8.1.1 Practice. Expenses may be paid for practice sessions only if they are associated with an away-from-home contest or conducted at a site located within the member institution’s state or, if outside that state, not more than 100 miles from the institution’s campus. [D]

[16.8.1.1 through 16.8.1.1.4 unchanged.]

16.8.1.1.5 Exception – Golf and Swimming and Diving. An institution may provide actual and necessary travel expenses (e.g., transportation, lodging and meals) for golf and swimming and diving student-athletes at any location during an official vacation period, provided the student-athlete is eligible and no class is missed. [R]

Source: American Rivers Conference and Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

Effective Date: Immediate

Rationale: The cosponsors have reconsidered the original exception of swimming and diving because those student-athletes are able to prepare adequately with indoor training whereas golf student-athletes are not. Swimming and diving is no longer included in the proposal.

Budget Impact: Little to none. These trips already are occurring so there should be minimal impact.

Bylaws: Amend 17.02.1.1.5 Exceptions. Leadership Programming Involving Athletics-Related Information, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17.02.1.1.5 Exceptions. Leadership Programming Involving Athletics-Related Information.

(a) Student-athletes serving in a team leadership capacity may voluntarily participate in leadership programming involving athletics-related, general information outside of the declared playing season with any member of an institution’s coaching staff.

(b) All programming must occur during the institution’s regular academic year and must be completed not later than five week days before the first day of any of the institution’s final regular examination period (see Bylaw 17.1.2 – (c) and 17.1.2 – (d) regarding holiday, vacation and final examination periods.)
(c) All leadership programming involving athletics-related, general information is limited to one meeting per week, with each meeting lasting no more than 90 minutes, and may not occur more than ten times outside of the declared playing season.

(d) The leadership-programming plan and materials must be in writing in the office of the institution’s director of athletics and compliance officer (if separate individuals hold such positions).

Source: North Coast Athletic Conference and Upper Midwest Athletic Conference.

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Rationale: Leadership development is inherent to the NCAA Division III philosophy. Large-group leadership opportunities hold value; however, powerful growth happens in small, experience-based settings. Allowing coaches to work with team leaders is the most effective means of mentoring and experiential learning. NCAA-supported and facilitated leadership programs affirm that small group and individualized approaches are more effective than large-group programming for student-athletes. Additionally, with increased attention and awareness of mental health concerns among student-athletes, additional engagement between coaches and student-athletes strengthens the support networks student-athletes build during their season and could assist in identifying mental health concerns to ensure appropriate resources and support are provided out-of-season to student-athletes. Intercollegiate athletics plays an integral role in enrollment management strategies at Division III institutions. The retention of student-athletes is critical in the success of not only intercollegiate athletics programs, but the entire institution for many Division III members. With the transfer rate continuing to increase in Division III, allowing additional time for student-athletes and coaches to discuss leadership development-related content will positively impact the overall experience and growth for student-athletes as well as institutional retention rates. Consistent leadership programming would allow student-athletes opportunities to expand their leadership capacities as part of their holistic experience.

Budget Impact: None

Position Statement(s): Presidents Council, Management Council and Interpretations and Legislation Committee: Presidents Council, Management Council and the Interpretations, and Legislation Committee oppose this proposal. This proposal creates an environment wherein student-athletes may feel compelled to participate, thereby creating additional time demands for student-athletes. Additionally, current legislation provides sufficient opportunities for student-athletes to be involved in leadership activities outside the declared playing season. Finally, student-athletes should be involved in athletics leadership opportunities, but they should also seek participation in non-athletic based leadership opportunities. This proposal may limit or discourage student-athletes from seeking out those non-athletic opportunities.
Intent: To add Equestrian as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to playing and practice seasons and membership.

A. Bylaws: Amend 17, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17 Playing and Practice Seasons.

[17.01 through 17.02 unchanged.]

17.02.13 Varsity Intercollegiate Sport. A varsity intercollegiate sport is a sport that has been accorded that status by the institution’s president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy and that satisfies the following conditions:

[17.02.13-(a) through 17.02.13-(c) unchanged.]

[17.02.13.1 unchanged.]

17.02.13.2 Individual Sports. The following are classified as individual sports for purposes of this bylaw:

| Bowling, Women's | Skiing |
| Cross Country     | Swimming and Diving |
| Equestrian, Women's | Tennis |
| Fencing           | Track and Field, Indoor and Outdoor |
| Golf              | Triathlon, Women's |
| Gymnastics        | Wrestling |
| Rifle             |

[17.02.14 unchanged.]

[17.1 through 17.6 unchanged.]

17.7 Women's Equestrian. Regulations for computing the equestrian playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1 (See Figure 17-1)

17.7.1 Length of Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3 for spring NCAA championship sports.)

17.7.2 Preseason Practice. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.)

17.7.3 First Date of Competition. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.)

17.7.4 End of Regular Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.)

17.7.5 Number of Dates of Competition.
17.7.5.1 Maximum Limitations -- Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in equestrian during the institution's equestrian playing season to eight dates of competition except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.7.5.3. Countable date of competition limitations apply separately to multiple teams (e.g., varsity, subvarsity and freshman). For in-season foreign competition see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.

17.7.5.2 Maximum Limitations-Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in a maximum of 8 dates of competition in equestrian. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student-athlete represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity or freshman team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.4 and 17.02.9.

17.7.5.3 Annual Exemptions. (See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)

17.7.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. (See Bylaw 17.1.5.)

[17.8 through 17.30 renumbered as 17.9 through 17.31, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 20, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20 Division Membership.

[20.01 through 20.02 unchanged.]

20.02.6 Emerging Sports for Women. The following shall be considered emerging sports for women:

[20.02.6-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Individual Sports. Triathlon and Women's Equestrian.

[20.02.6.1 unchanged.]

[20.02.7 unchanged.]

[20.1 through 20.11 unchanged.]

20.11.3 Sports Sponsorship. A member institution shall sponsor in Division III a minimum number of sports based on institutional enrollment. At least one sport involving an all-male team or a mixed team and at least one sport involving an all-female team shall be conducted in every sport season. All sports used to meet the minimum sports sponsorship requirements must meet the minimum contest and participant requirements per Bylaw 20.11.3.8.

[20.11.3.1 through 20.11.3.7 unchanged.]

20.11.3.8 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution's team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against the varsity programs of four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution's team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:
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(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in Bylaw 20.11.3.8 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaw 14 and Bylaw 17.)

[20.11.3.8.1 through 20.11.3.8.10 unchanged.]

[20.11.3.9 through 20.11.3.10 unchanged.]

[20.11.4 unchanged.]

**Source:** Adrian College; Albion College; Alfred State College; Alvernia University; Berry College; Bethany College (West Virginia); Bridgewater State University; East Texas Baptist University; Emory University; Morrisville State College; Nazareth College; Roger Williams University; Randolph-Macon College; Salve Regina University; State University of New York at Geneseo; State University of New York at New Paltz; Sweet Briar College; University of Lynchburg; Wentworth Institute of Technology; Wesleyan College; and Wilson College.

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** Significant support exists for equestrian to be added as an NCAA sport, moving from the emerging sport for women list, including support from institutions and national governing bodies. It is expected that the addition of women’s equestrian will produce a significant increase in participation...
opportunities for women, as well as provide the membership with a new option for sponsorship of a women’s sport. Division I and Division II already have this legislation.

**Budget Impact:** Based on institutional sponsorship of the sport

**Position Statement(s):** Management Council, Committee on Women’s Athletics, Playing and Practice Subcommittee: Management Council, Committee on Women’s Athletics and Playing and Practice Subcommittee support this proposal. The proposal provides for more participation opportunities for female student-athletes and more sport-sponsorship options for Division III member institutions.

**Intent:** To add acrobatics and tumbling as a emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to playing and practice seasons and membership.

**A. Bylaws:** Amend 17, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17 Playing and Practice Seasons.

[17.01 through 17.02 unchanged.]

17.02.13 Varsity Intercollegiate Sport. A varsity intercollegiate sport is a sport that has been accorded that status by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy and that satisfies the following conditions:

[17.02.13-(a) through 17.02.13-(c) unchanged.]

17.02.13.1 Team Sports. The following are classified as team sports for purposes of this bylaw:

**Acrobatics and Tumbling**

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[17.02.13.2 unchanged.]

[17.02.14 unchanged.]

[17.1 unchanged.]

**17.2 Acrobatics and Tumbling.**
Regulations for computing the acrobatics and tumbling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1. General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1)

17.2.1 Length of Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3 for spring NCAA Championship sports)

17.2.2 Preseason Practice. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)

17.2.3 First Date of Competition. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)

17.2.4 End of Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.3.1)

17.2.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.2.5.1 Maximum Limitations-Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule with outside competition in acrobatics and tumbling during the institution’s acrobatics and tumbling traditional segment to 12 dates of competition, which may include not more than two tri-meets, except for those dates of competition excluded under Bylaw 17.2.5.3. Countable date of competition limitations apply separately to multiple teams (e.g., varsity, subvarsity and freshmen). For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.

17.2.5.2 Maximum Limitations-Student-Athlete. A student-athlete may participate each academic year in a maximum of 12 dates of competition in acrobatics and tumbling, which may include not more than two tri-meets. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student-athlete represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, junior varsity and freshmen team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.7 and 17.02.9.

17.2.5.3 Exemptions. (See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)

17.2.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities.

(See Bylaw 17.1.5)

[17.2 through 17.30 renumbered as 17.3 through 17.31, unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 20, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20 Division Membership.

[20.01 through 20.02 unchanged.]

20.02.6 Emerging Sports for Women. The following shall be considered emerging sports for women:

(a) Team Sports. Acrobatics and Tumbling and Rugby; and

[20.02.6-(b) unchanged.]

[20.02.6.1 unchanged.]

[20.02.7 unchanged.]

[20.1 through 20.11 unchanged.]
20.11.3 Sports Sponsorship. A member institution shall sponsor in Division III a minimum number of sports based on institutional enrollment. At least one sport involving an all-male team or a mixed team and at least one sport involving an all-female team shall be conducted in every sport season. All sports used to meet the minimum sports sponsorship requirements must meet the minimum contest and participant requirements per Bylaw 20.11.3.8.

[20.11.3.1 through 20.11.3.7 unchanged.]

20.11.3.8 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution’s team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against the varsity programs of four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution’s team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

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(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in Bylaw 20.11.3.8 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaw 14 and Bylaw 17.)

[20.11.3.8.1 through 20.11.3.8.9 unchanged.]
20.11.3.8.10 Acrobatics and Tumbling. In acrobatics and tumbling, dual meets and tri-meets may count toward the minimum number of contests. Tri-meets are counted as two contests for each competing team. No more than two tri-meets may be counted toward the minimum number of contests by a member institution.

[20.11.3.8.10 renumbered as 20.11.3.8.11, unchanged.]

[20.11.3.9 through 20.11.3.10 unchanged.]

[20.11.4 unchanged.]

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Committee on Women's Athletics).

Effective Date: August 1, 2020

Rationale: The sport's potential for growth and support from the sport's national governing body supports this proposal. In addition, acrobatics and tumbling leadership demonstrated and articulated how the experience of an acrobatics and tumbling student-athlete is comparable to the experience of an NCAA sport student-athlete and how acrobatics and tumbling student-athletes are fully integrated into athletics departments. Further, the existing organizational structure and bylaws support efforts to integrate NCAA values and legislation into current operations. Finally, there is a commitment at the collegiate level to providing robust participation opportunities during the regular season and post season, including the national championships.

Budget Impact: Based on institutional sponsorship of the sport.

No. 2020-9 (2-9) DIVISION MEMBERSHIP, PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS -- EMERGING SPORTS FOR WOMEN -- WOMEN'S WRESTLING

Intent: To add women's wrestling as an emerging sport for women and establish legislation related to playing and practice seasons and membership.

A. Bylaws: Amend 14.7, as follows:

[Roll Call]

14.7 Outside Competition, Effects on Eligibility. The eligibility of a student-athlete who engages in outside competition (see Bylaw 17.02.10) is affected as set forth in the following regulations.

14.7.1 Outside Competition. A student-athlete becomes ineligible for intercollegiate competition in that sport until eligibility is restored by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement if, after enrollment in college and during any year in which the student-athlete is a member of an intercollegiate squad or team, he or she competes or has competed as a member of any outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition (e.g., tournament play, exhibition games or other activity) during the institution’s intercollegiate season in the sport (see Bylaw 14.7.3 for exceptions and waivers) unless restored to eligibility before that time by the Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement. (See Bylaw 14.1.12, for student-athletes participating in a recognized foreign exchange/study abroad program).

14.7.1.1 Additional Restriction -- Men's and Women's Wrestling. In men's and women's wrestling, a student-athlete may compete outside of the institution’s intercollegiate season as a member of an outside team in any noncollegiate, amateur competition, except during the period between the beginning of the institution’s academic year and November 1. The number of student-athletes
from any one institution shall not exceed the applicable limits set forth in Bylaw 17.29.2.

[14.7.1.2 unchanged.]

[14.7.2 unchanged.]

14.7.2.5 Competition as Individual/Not Representing Institution. It is permissible for a student-athlete to participate in outside competition as an individual during the academic year in the student-athlete's sport, as long as the student-athlete represents only himself or herself in the competition and does not engage in such competition as a member of or receive expenses from an outside team.

14.7.2.5.1 No Competition Between Beginning of Academic Year and November 1 -- Men's and Women's Wrestling. In men's and women's wrestling, a student-athlete shall not participate in outside competition as an individual between the beginning of the institution's academic year and November 1.

[14.7.2.6 unchanged.]

[14.7.3 through 14.7.4 unchanged.]

B. Bylaws: Amend 17, as follows:

[Roll Call]

17 Playing and Practice Seasons.

[17.01 through 17.02 unchanged.]

17.02.13 Varsity Intercollegiate Sport. A varsity intercollegiate sport is a sport that has been accorded that status by the institution's president or chancellor or committee responsible for intercollegiate athletics policy and that satisfies the following conditions:

[17.02.13-(a) through 17.02.13-(c) unchanged.]

[17.02.13.1 unchanged.]

17.02.13.2 Individual Sports. The following are classified as individual sports for purposes of this bylaw:

Bowling, Women’s Skiing
Cross Country Swimming and Diving
Fencing Tennis
Golf Track and Field, Indoor and Outdoor
Gymnastics Triathlon, Women’s
Rifle Wrestling, Men's and Women’s

[17.02.14 unchanged.]

[17.1 unchanged.]

17.1.1.3.2 Sports with a Winter NCAA Championship. The length of an institution's playing season shall be limited to a maximum of 19 weeks.
17.1.1.3.2.1 Season Limitations. Except for the sports of basketball, women’s bowling, ice hockey and men’s and women’s wrestling (the applicable provisions are set forth in the specific sports sections) and unless otherwise noted in the applicable sport section, the playing season shall be conducted according to the following:

[17.1.1.3.2.1-(a) through 17.1.1.3.2.1-(b) unchanged.]

[17.1.2 through 17.1.6 unchanged.]

[17.2 through 17.27 unchanged.]

17.28 Wrestling, Women’s

Regulations for computing the women’s wrestling playing season are set forth in Bylaw 17.1, General Playing-Season Regulations. (See Figure 17-1)

17.28.1 Length of Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2 for winter NCAA championship sports.)

17.28.2 Preseason Practice. A member institution shall not commence practice sessions in women’s wrestling before October 10.

17.28.3 First Date of Competition.

A member institution shall not engage in its first date of competition (match, exhibition or scrimmage) against outside competition in women’s wrestling before November 1.

17.28.4 End of Playing Season. (See Bylaw 17.1.1.3.2.1)

17.28.5 Number of Dates of Competition.

17.28.5.1 Maximum Limitations-Institutional. A member institution shall limit its total playing schedule against outside competition during the permissible women’s wrestling season to a maximum of 16 dates of competition, which may include not more than two two-day meets that shall each count as a single date of competition, except for those dates of competition excluded under 17.28.5.3 (see Bylaw 17.02.6.1 for required minimum number of student-athletes and Bylaw 20.11.3.8 for minimum contests and participants requirements). Countable date of competition limitations apply separately to multiple teams (e.g., varsity, subvarsity and freshman). For in-season foreign competition, see Bylaw 17.1.4.3.

17.28.5.2 Maximum Limitations-Student-Athlete. An individual student-athlete may participate in each academic year in a maximum of 16 dates of competition in women’s wrestling, which may include not more than two two-day meets that shall count as a single date of competition. This limitation includes those dates of competition in which the student represents the institution, including competition as a member of the varsity, subvarsity or freshmen team of the institution in accordance with Bylaws 17.02.7 and 17.02.9.

17.28.5.3 Exemptions. (See Standard Exemptions set forth in Bylaw 17.1.4.5.)

17.28.6 Out-of-Season Athletically Related Activities. (See Bylaw 17.1.5.)

[17.28 through 17.30 renumbered as 17.29 through 17.31, unchanged.]
C. **Bylaws:** Amend 20, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20 Division Membership.

[20.01 through 20.02 unchanged.]

20.02.6 Emerging Sports for Women. The following shall be considered emerging sports for women:

[20.02.6-(a) unchanged.]

(b) Individual Sports. Triathlon and **women's wrestling**.

[20.02.6.1 unchanged.]

[20.02.7 unchanged.]

[20.1 through 20.11 unchanged.]

20.11.3 Sports Sponsorship. A member institution shall sponsor in Division III a minimum number of sports based on institutional enrollment. At least one sport involving an all-male team or a mixed team and at least one sport involving an all-female team shall be conducted in every sport season. All sports used to meet the minimum sports sponsorship requirements must meet the minimum contest and participant requirements per Bylaw 20.11.3.8.

[20.11.3.1 through 20.11.3.7 unchanged.]

20.11.3.8 Minimum Contests and Participants Requirements for Sports Sponsorship. In each sport, the institution’s team shall engage in at least a minimum number of intercollegiate contests (against the varsity programs of four-year, degree-granting collegiate institutions) each year. In the individual sports, the institution’s team shall include a minimum number of participants in each contest that is counted toward meeting the minimum-contests requirement. The following minimums are applicable:

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(Note: The minimum-contest requirements set forth in bylaw 20.11.3.8 apply only to the provisions of this section and do not apply to minimum-contest requirements in Bylaw 14 and Bylaw 17.)

[20.11.3.8.1 through 20.11.3.8.10 unchanged.]

[20.11.3.9 through 20.11.3.10 unchanged.]

[20.11.4 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division III Management Council (Committee on Women's Athletics).

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** The continued growth in high school girls wrestling and the number of collegiate institutions sponsoring the sport support this proposal. In addition, the sport is relatively inexpensive to sponsor. Finally, there is a commitment at the collegiate level to increase participation opportunities for a diverse population of student-athletes (e.g., race and ethnicity, national, socio-economic status and body size and type), as well as to increase coaching opportunities for a diverse population of female coaches in intercollegiate wrestling.

**Budget Impact:** Based on institutional sponsorship of the sport

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<td><strong>Intent:</strong></td>
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**Constitution:** Amend 3.3.1.2, as follows:

[Roll Call]

3.3.1.2 Composition of Conference. A conference shall be comprised of at least seven core institutions. **Provisional or reclassifying member institutions in their third or fourth years may be considered core institutions for purposes of comprising a conference provided there are at least four active member institutions.** A conference may include provisional members in addition to the seven core members.

[3.3.1.2.1 unchanged.]
3.3.1.2.2 Single-Sport Conference. Conference status may be granted to a single-sport conference provided it has seven active NCAA member institutions. ** Provisional and reclassifying member institutions in their third or fourth years may be considered core institutions for purposes of comprising a conference provided there are at least four active member institutions.** For sports with a National Collegiate Championship, the single-sport conference minimum is controlled by the number of members needed for National Collegiate automatic qualification (See Bylaw 18.5.2).

[3.3.1.2.3 through 3.3.1.2.4 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division III Presidents Council [Management Council (Membership Committee)].

**Effective Date:** August 1, 2020

**Rationale:** Proposal No. 2016-9 modified how provisional schools can be utilized towards earning a conference’s automatic qualification bid. That proposal was narrowly focused and did not modify the language related to institutions in years three and four of the new membership process for determining the composition of a conference. The result is that a provisional and/or reclassifying institution in years three or year four of the new member process can count for the automatic qualification waiting period, but not for the seven core members needed to form a conference. Further, conference instability may be lessened if provisional and/or reclassifying institutions maybe used by a conference in meeting its minimum number of member institutions.

**Budget Impact:** None.

**No. 2020-11 (2-11) DIVISION MEMBERSHIP -- SPORT CLASSIFIED IN DIVISION I -- APPLYING DIVISION I LEGISLATION**

**Intent:** To permit Division III member institutions with Division I sports to apply all Division I legislation, except Bylaw 15 (financial aid), to the Division I sports.

**Bylaws:** Amend 20.7, as follows:

[Roll Call]

20.7 Division Legislation.

20.7.1 Applicable Legislation. A member institution shall observe the applicable legislation and requirements of its membership division. However, if the institution is eligible to participate in a sport in another division (see Bylaw 20.4 for multidivision-classification privileges), it shall apply the rules of the other division that govern the sport in question.

20.7.1.1 Division III Application. A member institution that has a sport classified in Division I must apply Division I rules in that sport except the institution must apply the Division III financial aid regulations of Bylaw 15 in the Division I sport, the rules of both divisions, or the more stringent rule if both divisions have a rule concerning the same issue except that in either instance, the institution may apply the Division I playing and practice season regulations of Bylaw 17 in the Division I sport.

[20.7.1.1.1 unchanged.]

**Source:** NCAA Division III Management Council (Membership Committee).

**Effective Date:** Immediate
**Rationale:** The current legislation requires Division III member institutions with Division I sports to apply the rules of both divisions, or the more stringent rule if both divisions have a rule concerning the same issue. It is often difficult for institutions to distinguish which of the rules is more stringent and tracking the bylaws for two divisions can burden an institution's administrative staff. Currently, ten Division III institutions sponsor a Division I sport. The number of affected schools will not increase, as Division I legislation currently prohibits additional institutions from becoming multidivisional. Since this is primarily intended to reduce confusion and ease burden, an immediate effective date is appropriate.

**Budget Impact:** Will vary based on the institution

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**Resolution:**

WHEREAS, changing climate patterns have created increasingly difficult weather events, often delaying the start of the spring season, particularly in the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic and Midwest;

WHEREAS, these weather events have negatively impacted the ability of a significant majority of Division III member institutions to prepare outdoor facilities for softball and baseball, hindering practice time in their local competition environment and disrupting overall competition schedules;

WHEREAS, these consistent disruptions to contest schedules cause more games to be compacted into fewer permissible weeks of play, increasing the likelihood and frequency of missed class time, and often necessitating the cancellation of contests altogether, particularly conference contests that can impact fair determination of automatic bids and potentially Pool B and C selections;

WHEREAS, the fall and winter sport student-athletes are provided funding and other campus resources to properly prepare and fully complete their seasons (e.g., return earlier than the student body in the fall to begin preseason practice and participate in Labor Day weekend tournaments; return to campus earlier than the designated start of the spring semester during the winter break to participate in holiday tournaments and/or resume practice for January conference competition);

WHEREAS, softball student-athletes are handicapped further by the historical start to the NCAA tournament which is conducted one week earlier than baseball, their most similar sport counterpart, raising concerns about gender equity that is not found in any other sport;

WHEREAS, resolution of these concerns will contribute to a more positive competition environment conducted in better weather, and help promote higher retention rates of these student-athletes;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Division III membership directs the Division III Softball and Baseball Committees to collaborate on a plan to address the above referenced concerns with the Division III Championships Committee, with particular point of emphasis on examining the timing of the tournament schedules as they relate to these concerns, with an effective date for strategic implementation no later than the Spring 2023 season;

**LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Division III Championships Committee incorporate such changes as may be agreed upon into the bid process for the 2023-26 bid cycle.
**Source:** Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference, Commonwealth Coast Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn. and North Eastern Athletic Conference

**Rationale:**

**Budget Impact:**
Appendix A

Interpretations to be Included in the 2020-21 NCAA Division III Manual

In accordance with its authority to recommend incorporation of interpretations in the next printing of the NCAA Division III Manual, the NCAA Division III Interpretations and Legislation Committee has recommended and the NCAA Division III Management Council has approved inclusion of the following in the 2020-21 Division III Manual. This will be referenced in the report of this Official Convention Notice during the 2020 Division III business session. Approval of this Official Notice will constitute the incorporation of these interpretations. If a delegate objects to incorporation of a particular interpretation, that objection should be raised at the time of the report of the Official Notice. (It is preferred that any delegate intending to raise an objection also inform a member of the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff of that intent before the Division III business session.) The Division III membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to incorporate the interpretation.

It should be noted that these interpretations already have been accepted by the membership, and the only issue concerning these interpretations that is before the membership is whether they should be set forth in the 2020-21 Division III Manual and subsequent Division III Manuals. If the membership votes not to incorporate a particular interpretation into the Manual, the interpretation will still be binding on the membership; it simply will not be included in the 2020-21 Division III Manual.

For each of these interpretations approved by the Management Council, the provisions of Constitution 5.4.1.4 also would apply (i.e., any Division III member to which the interpretation applies may request a review of that interpretation at the Division III business session by making such a request in writing to the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff or the Association’s Convention office prior to 1 p.m. on the day preceding the Division III business session of the Convention). If an interpretation is not challenged per Constitution 5.4.1.4 and the incorporation of the interpretation into the 2020-21 Division III Manual also is not challenged, it will appear in the 2020-21 Division III Manual as noted.

There were no incorporation of interpretations submitted for approval at the 2020 NCAA Convention.
Noncontroversial Legislation Adopted by the NCAA Division III Management Council

Pursuant to NCAA Constitution 4.8.3-(d) and 5.3.1.1.1, the NCAA Division III Management Council has adopted the following noncontroversial legislative amendments during the past year. The Management Council is permitted to adopt such legislation if it is necessary to promote the normal and orderly administration of the Association’s legislation. These actions will be referenced in the report of this Official Convention Notice during the 2020 NCAA Division III business session. Approval of the Official Notice will constitute ratification of these actions and incorporation in the 2020-21 NCAA Division III Manual. If a delegate objects to ratification of a particular amendment, that objection should be raised at the time of the report of the Official Notice. (It is preferred that any delegate intending to raise an objection also inform a member of the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff of that intent before the Division III business session.) The NCAA Division III membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to ratify that amendment.
Appendix C

Modifications of Wording Adopted by the NCAA Division III Management Council

Pursuant to NCAA Constitution 5.4.1.1.1, the NCAA Division III Management Council, by a two-thirds majority of its members present and voting, has determined that the following proposals are consistent with the intent of the membership in adopting the original legislation and that sufficient documentation and testimony exists to establish clearly that the original wording of the legislation was inconsistent with that intent. These actions will be referenced in the report of this Official Convention Notice during the 2020 Division III business session. Approval of this Official Notice will constitute ratification of these actions and incorporation in the 2020-21 NCAA Division III Manual. If a delegate objects to ratification of a particular amendment, that objection should be raised at the time of the report. (It is preferred that any delegate intending to raise an objection also inform a member of the NCAA academic and membership affairs staff of that intent before the Division III business session.) The Division III membership then will decide by majority vote of the eligible voters whether to ratify that amendment.
# Appendix D

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Appendix F

Convention Voting Procedures

The following terms and procedures involved in voting at NCAA Conventions have been reviewed by the Association’s parliamentarian.

Significant Terms

1. **Vote Announcement** - After a paddle, roll-call or secret ballot vote, the chair announces the vote and states whether the motion passed or failed.

2. **Retake a Vote** - A retake occurs when a paddle vote is taken again or when a paddle vote is counted. A retake may occur before the statement of the next question. After the statement of the next question, a motion to reconsider must be used to retake a vote. During a retake, voters may change their votes and new eligible voters may participate. A retake motion would be considered dilatory and, therefore, denied after a roll-call vote and out of order after a secret-ballot vote unless it is clear that the question was misunderstood or that fraud had occurred.

3. **Change a Vote** - In a paddle vote, a vote may be changed if a retake occurs or by rising for that purpose before the result is announced by the chair. After the announcement of the vote, but before the next question is stated, a change may be made only by permission of the assembly by a majority vote after a nondebatable motion. In a rollcall vote, a change may occur before closing the polls or the polls may be reopened to change a vote before the statement of the next question. In a secret-ballot vote, no change may be made once the ballot is cast. After the statement of the next question following a roll-call vote and after a vote is cast in a secret ballot, a vote change can occur only through a successful motion to reconsider.

4. **Recount a Vote** - This applies only to a secret-ballot vote. The ballots simply are counted again as cast and can be ordered only by a majority vote of the assembly.

5. **Closing the Polls** - For roll-call and secret-ballot votes, the polls are opened when the chair calls for the vote. When the chair has ascertained that all who so desire have voted or have changed their votes, the chair will state that the polls are closed. If there is disagreement on closing the polls, they may be closed by a two-thirds vote on a nondebatable motion to do so. Once the polls are closed, the polls may be reopened before the statement of the next question by majority vote on a nondebatable motion to do so. Once the polls are closed, however, the chair will move to the next item on the agenda.

6. **Statement of Next Question** - When a new motion is made and seconded, the chair will announce that “The motion before you is.... Is there any discussion?” This is the statement of the next question and ends the opportunity to retake a vote or reopen the polls in regard to the preceding question.
Voting Procedures

1. **Paddle Voting**
   a. The chair calls for a vote by paddles, and determines the result by sound or sight from the dais.
   b. The chair may retake the vote if there is doubt.
   c. The chair must have the vote counted if requested by a voting delegate. The chair also may choose to retake a paddle vote and have it counted by hand or by the wireless voting system.
   d. During a retake, new voters may participate or votes may be changed. Vote changes also may occur before the result is announced by the chair.
   e. A retake will not be permitted after the next question has been stated. A request to retake a counted vote will be regarded as dilatory by the chair and will not be allowed.

2. **Roll-Call Voting (by Wireless Voting System)**
   a. A roll-call vote may be designated by the NCAA Division III Presidents Council or ordered by a majority of the voters, following a nondebatable motion to vote in that manner. If both a secret-ballot and a roll-call vote are moved, the assembly votes first on whether or not to vote by roll call. A motion to conduct a secret ballot on an issue designated for roll call by the Presidents Councils will be considered out of order.
   b. Once ordered, the chair shall call for a roll-call vote by use of wireless voting system.
   c. The chair shall determine if everyone who wishes to, has voted, or if anyone wishes to change a vote. When it appears that all ballots have been cast, the chair shall state that polls are closed.
   d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. No new voters, changes or corrections to the prior question are permitted unless the polls are reopened, and such a motion will be out of order after the next question is stated by the chair. Once the new question is stated by the chair, the only way to return to any foregoing question is by reconsideration, and only one motion for reconsideration of a given item is permitted.
   e. Abstentions will not be counted in the determination of a majority.

3. **Ordinary Voting (by Wireless Voting System)**
   a. An electronic vote may be designated by the Presidents Council or ordered by a majority of the voters, after a nondebatable motion to vote in that manner.
   b. Once ordered, the chair shall call for an electronic vote by use of the wireless voting system.
   c. The chair shall determine if everyone who wishes to has voted, or if anyone wishes to change a vote. When it appears that all ballots have been cast, the chair shall state that the polls are closed.
   d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. No new voters, changes or corrections to the prior question are permitted unless the polls are reopened, and such a motion will be out of order the next question is stated by the chair. Once the new question is stated by the chair, the only way to return to any foregoing question is by reconsideration, and only one motion for reconsideration of a given item is permitted.
   e. Abstentions will not be counted in the total for determination of a majority.
4. **Ballot Voting (Secret Ballot)**
   a. A secret ballot may be ordered by the assembly before, during or after any ordinary vote (but before the next question is stated) by a majority vote on a nondebatable motion to do so.
   b. Once ordered, the chair shall ask for the vote by wireless voting system. Votes will be tallied electronically, but only a summary printout of results will be reported.
   c. After the chair determines that all who wish to vote have voted, the polls shall be closed. A vote change shall not be permitted once the vote is cast.
   d. The chair will move to the next available item on the agenda while votes are being tallied. Once the next question is stated by the chair, the polls may not be reopened for a new vote on the prior issue.
   e. Abstentions will not be counted in the total for determination of a majority.
Appendix G

Convention Lanyards, Badges and Voting Paddles

The Convention lanyards are of various colors to designate the individual’s delegate status. The designations are as follows:

- Divisions I, II and III voting delegates. Red lanyard
- Divisions I, II and III alternate delegates. Blue lanyard
- All other Divisions I, II and III delegates with speaking rights. Green lanyard
- All other Divisions I, II and III delegates without speaking rights and other observers. White lanyard

Only those persons with red, blue or green lanyards are permitted to speak in a business session.

In addition, the Convention badges are of different colors to designate the individual’s status. The designations are as follows:

- Delegate Sage designation on name badge
- Speaker/Presenter Teal designation on name badge
- Media Yellow designation on name badge
- Chancellor/President Purple designation on name badge
- NCAA Staff Blue designation on name badge
- Vendor Denim designation on name badge
- Autonomy Conference Members Yellow designation on name badge
- Visitor Orange designation on name badge

The following is a listing of the different voting paddle colors in use at the 2020 NCAA Convention:

- Aqua Division I
- Orange Division II
- Yellow Division III
Appendix H

NCAA Governance Structure

Board of Governors
Chair - Michael V. Drake

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Independent Grant Hill, CBS/ Warner Media and Atlanta Hawks August 2022

Independent Denis McDonough, Former White House Chief of Staff August 2022

Independent Vivek Murthy, 19th Surgeon General of the United States August 2021

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Chair - Sue Henderson

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F. Javier Cevallos, Framingham State University January 2021
Katherine Conway-Turner, Buffalo State, State University of New York January 2021
Mary Beth Cooper, Springfield College January 2023
Margaret L. Drugovich, Hartwick College January 2020
Richard Dunsworth, University of the Ozarks (Arkansas) January 2023
Tiffany Franks, Averett University January 2022
William J. Fritz, College of Staten Island January 2020
Troy D. Hammond, North Central College January 2023
Sue Henderson, New Jersey City University January 2020
Robert R. Lindgren, Randolph-Macon College January 2023
Tori Murden-McClure, Spalding University January 2021
Fayneese Miller, Hamline University January 2022
Kathleen Murray, Whitman College January 2023
Elsa Nunez, Eastern Connecticut State University January 2020
Troy D. Paine, University of Mary Washington January 2022
Kent Trachte, Lycoming College January 2022
Bill Tsutsui, Hendrix College January 2023

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Chair - Stevie Baker-Watson

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Heather Benning, Midwest Conference           January 2021
Stephen Briggs, Berry College                 January 2023
Charles A. Brown, Pennsylvania State Univ. Erie, the Behrend College January 2023
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Jason Fein, Bates College                     January 2022
Sarah Feyerherm, Washington College (Maryland) January 2023
#Samantha Kastner, Norte Dame of Maryland University January 2020
Lori Mazza, Western Connecticut State University January 2022
Scott McGuinness, Washington and Jefferson College January 2023
Timothy P. Millerick, Austin College          January 2022
Laura Mooney, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts January 2021
Michelle Morgan, John Carroll University      January 2023
#Colby Pepper, Covenant College               January 2021
Kate Roy, North Atlantic Conference           January 2020
Kandis Schram, Maryville College (Tennessee)  January 2021
Denis J. Shields, University of Wisconsin-Platteville January 2022
Denise A. Udelhofen, Loras College            January 2021
Michael Vienna, Emory University              January 2021
Joseph T. Walsh, Great Northeast Athletic Conference January 2021

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Debbie Brown, Administrative Assistant of Division III
Appendix I

Request for Interpretations

Member institutions and conferences are encouraged to request interpretations of the proposed legislation in this Official Notice not later than Friday, November 29, 2019. Interpretations related to the proposed legislation in this Official Notice may be requested via electronic mail from Jeff Myers at jmyers@ncaa.org or Bill Regan at bfregan@ncaa.org. When submitting such a request, please include the proposal number in question, your institution’s name and your title. All resulting interpretations will be distributed to the delegates in time for the conference meetings held in conjunction with the 2020 NCAA Convention.