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BOARD EXPANDS ITS LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

The Division I Board of Directors (Board) adopted emergency legislation at its April 2005 meeting to authorize it to take a more active role in the legislative process than the traditional role of formally adopting proposals forwarded to it after approval by the Management Council (Council). In addition, the Council and Board took final action on nearly 100 legislative items, including proposals initiated by the men's and women's basketball coaches associations.

Board's Role in Legislative Process

The Board addressed its legislative power as a part of a review of a "White Paper" on Division I governance issues that had been prepared at its request by the Governance Subcommittee of the Council. In response to a recommendation that the Board have the ability to initiate specific legislative proposals rather than merely to act on legislation sponsored by others or to direct development of proposals to address topics it identified, the Board used its emergency rulemaking authority to adopt the legislation (Proposal No. 2005-21) to permit it to introduce proposals into the regular legislative cycle and to initiate emergency or noncontroversial legislation. In doing so, the Board established the end of its fall meeting as the deadline for its submission of proposals into the annual legislative cycle.

Legislation (Proposal No. 2005-22) to permit the Board to act on proposals that were defeated by the Council was also adopted through the Board's use of its emergency authority. Specifically, the Board can now restore a proposal defeated by the Council in January to the same position it would have been but for the action of the Council and can resurrect a proposal defeated by the Council in April and act on it at either the April or August Board meeting. Establishing the ability for the Board to act on legislative proposals that have been defeated by the Council was addressed in the White Paper, which included recommendations that the Board's action to resurrect a defeated proposal require a two-thirds majority vote by the Board and that a proposal revived in April not be considered on its merits until the Board's August meeting. The Board opted neither to require a supermajority to reinstate a proposal nor to mandate a delay until August for final action on a resurrected item.

Because of a desire to maintain maximum flexibility in the use of its emergency legislative authority so that it can be used when circumstances warrant prompt action, the Board opted not to establish formal guidelines for consideration of legislative proposals that are deemed to be either emergency or noncontroversial. The Board asked the Council's Governance Subcommittee to continue to review the Division I legislative process to determine whether the roles of the Council and Board can be better defined and whether there are more effective ways to manage the legislative process. It was emphasized by the Board that presidents involved in the Division I governance structure should use "their own best judgment and knowledge based in part on the discussions at the meetings rather than just carrying the positions of a subdivision or conference."

This edition of the *Collegiate Sports Practice Group Newsletter* features a compilation of the actions taken by the NCAA Division I Management Council at its April 11 and 12, 2005, meeting and the Board of Directors at its April 28, 2005, meeting. The Newsletter is published quarterly, following each Board meeting to assist athletics administrators, compliance coordinators, general counsel offices and others interested in NCAA governance activity. We have formatted the Newsletter to summarize the key actions and issues in the Division I governance structure and to serve as a convenient, quick reference for any legislation adopted. This format should aid individuals responsible for disseminating such information to their institutional staff members. The brief summaries of the actions and legislation are not a substitute for reading reports and minutes of the bodies and the actual legislation, nor do they constitute legal advice or opinion about any action. To review the specific language of a meeting minute, new legislation or an interpretation, please consult with the person designated on your campus to provide legislative interpretations.



Other Governance Issues

A Division I-AA/I-AAA Presidential Advisory Group composed of a president from each of the Division I-AA and I-AAA conferences represented in the Division I governance structure was formally created through the adoption of emergency legislation (Proposal No. 2002-96, as amended). An informal body with the same composition has been meeting with the approval of the Board to advise the Board members from those subdivisions and that group favored representation of all conferences directly on the Board. The new legislation imposes the same expectations for diversity of membership on the Advisory Group that currently apply to the Board.

The Council also reviewed recommendations of its Governance Subcommittee and generally supported the expanded legislative role for the Board and the creation of the Division I-AA/I-AAA Presidential Advisory Group. In addition, the Council endorsed the subcommittee's recommendation that the NCAA Convention should not begin until at least four days after the last game in the Bowl Championships Series and should not occur on the Martin Luther King national holiday. After a discussion of recommendations to modify the Division I legislative cycle in regard to the Council's initial consideration of legislation so that the membership can better distinguish between proposals that receive initial support from the Council on the merits and those that are sent out for membership comment without a formal Council position, the Council failed to reach a consensus on the suggestions. The Council asked its subcommittee to continue to review the situation and develop additional legislative cycle models for Council consideration.

Division I-A Membership Requirements and Division I Football

Three proposals to amend Division I-A membership criteria and to address issues involving games between Division I-A and Division I-AA football teams were adopted through the Board's use of its emergency legislative authority. The Board enacted legislation (Proposal No. 2005-20) to establish two means of meeting the Division I-A football attendance criterion, which it had discussed at its January meeting. Effective immediately, an institution can satisfy the standard by demonstrating during a rolling two-year period at least one season in which it averages a minimum of 15,000 in actual attendance for all home games or at least one season in which it averages a minimum of 15,000 in paid attendance for all home games.

Authority for a Division I-A football team to utilize a game against a Division I-AA opponent for certain purposes was also adopted. Specifically, a Division I-A member may count toward the six-win minimum for bowl game eligibility one victory each year against a Division I-AA opponent that has averaged 90 percent of the maximum permissible number of grants-in-aid per year in football over a rolling two-year period. (See Proposal No. 2005-18.) Further, a home game against such a Division I-AA opponent may be counted by a Division I-A institution toward satisfying the home game scheduling requirement of four games against Division I-A opponents in 2004-05 and 2005-06, and five games thereafter. (See Proposal No. 2005-19.)

The Board asked that the Council and the Collegiate Commissioners Association evaluate possible editorial or other changes in NCAA rules to eliminate current indications of Division I-A and Division I-AA and provide that, for football competition purposes, references distinguish those Division I football members seeking to participate in bowl games from those eligible for the NCAA Division I Football Championship. Additional enhancements that would encourage the stability of the current Division I-AA group and participation in the football championship will continue to be supported by the Board. The Board also agreed that attention to low (or no) scholarships programs, including the evaluation of regular-season and postseason opportunities for such programs, would serve to benefit the long term viability of Division I football.

Academic Performance Matters

The Council received an update concerning the work of the Committee on Academic Performance. A definition of "retention" for purposes of the Academic Performance Rate (APR) calculations was developed. The definition, which is to be used for reporting beginning with the 2004-05 cohort, provides that a student-athlete is considered to be retained if he or she returns for the next regular academic term and is enrolled as a full-time student by the fifth week of classes or the "official census date of the institution," whichever occurs first. In part to accommodate the new definition, the committee also adjusted the deadline for each

institution to submit its data report to the NCAA to require that the information be provided by six weeks after the first day of classes for the fall term beginning in the fall of 2005. The Council also clarified the wording of the contemporaneous penalty regulations to indicate that a penalty to limit the grants-in-aid in a head-count sport will be applied on a full grant basis.

The Board also received a report from the committee, which had an additional meeting between the Council and Board sessions. Legislation (Proposal No. 2005-17) intended to clarify the impact of the contemporaneous financial aid penalties on equivalency sports was recommended by the Council for inclusion in the regular legislative cycle for 2006 but adopted by the Board, effective immediately, through use of its emergency authority. The new regulations essentially provide that the "equivalency" penalty will be based upon (1) the equivalency value of the aid received by the ineligible student-athlete who did not return, or (2) in instances in which the financial aid was awarded on a term-by-term basis and such a student-athlete was not in attendance for all terms of the academic year, an annualized value based on the greatest value of the financial aid for the term(s) in which the student was in attendance. An exception for mid-year enrollees would not require an annualized calculation of the financial aid they received. In any case, the limitation resulting from a single student-athlete's departure would not exceed one full equivalency value.

Other Actions

- Title IX Clarification.** In response to the U.S. Department of Education's March 17, 2005, "additional clarification" concerning the measuring of female students' interest in athletics through conducting an email survey as a means of demonstrating compliance with Title IX in regard to intercollegiate athletics programs, the Board supported and the NCAA Executive Committee adopted a resolution. The resolution stated that the additional clarification is inconsistent with the basic principles of equity under the law and with a 1996 clarification and urged NCAA members to decline to use the procedures set forth in the March 2005 clarification and the Department of Education to rescind it.
- Division I-A – 12th Football Game.** The Board adopted legislation to permit Division I-A members to annually compete in 12 regular-season football contests beginning with the 2006 season. Similar legislation for Division I-AA was defeated by the Board after being approved by the Council in a close vote and forwarded for adoption. In regard to Division I-A, the Board also voted to issue a clarification that it is the intent of the Board "to preserve the current legislation" defining a "deserving winning team" for purposes of bowl eligibility.
- Amateurism Clearinghouse.** The Council received a report about preliminary efforts to establish at the NCAA national office a clearinghouse to certify the preenrollment amateur status of both international and domestic student-athletes. The report indicated that the clearinghouse is being established in response to growing membership concerns regarding the level of resources, time and expertise needed to determine the amateur status of student-athletes. It is anticipated that the clearinghouse could be functional, to at least some extent, as early as for incoming student-athletes in the fall of 2006.
- College Basketball Partnership.** The College Basketball Partnership, a group of "college basketball experts" that was brought together to "help preserve and promote the game of men's college basketball as unique and distinguishable from professional basketball," has been expanded to provide broader representation. Conferences will be asked to identify two men's basketball student-athletes (a representative and an alternate) to serve as members of a student-athlete group that will provide input and comment.

Legislative Actions

Adopted by Board

The Board adopted the following 97 items of legislation at its April 28, 2005, meeting.

Administrative Regulations

No. 2004-10 – Administrative Regulations – Drug Testing – Institutional Responsibility

Defines institutional responsibility for ensuring compliance with specified elements of the NCAA drug-testing program.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2005-2 – Administrative Regulations – Summer Baseball

Eliminates the summer baseball certification program.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

No. 2005-3 – Administrative Regulations – Final Four Basketball Event Certification – Mileage Radius

Eliminates the requirement that participants in a basketball event held in conjunction with the NCAA men’s or women’s basketball championship must practice and be housed outside of a 30-mile radius of the championship site.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

Amateurism

No. 2005-4 – Amateurism – Promotional Activities – Commercial Films

Eliminates the prohibition on using footage of an institution’s intercollegiate contest or event or individual performance of a student-athlete in a commercial film.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

No. 2005-5 – Amateurism – Promotional Activities – Institutional, Charitable, Educational or Nonprofit Promotions – Mileage Restriction

Permits a student-athlete to receive actual and necessary expenses to participate in a permissible promotional activity, regardless of the location of the activity.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

No. 2005-6 – Amateurism – Employment on a Commission Basis

Eliminates regulations regarding a student-athlete’s employment on a commission basis.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

Championships/Postseason Football

No. 2003-126 – Executive Regulations – Official Traveling Parties – Men’s Ice Hockey

Increases the official NCAA championship traveling party in men’s ice hockey from 31 to 37 individuals.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2003-131 – Executive Regulations – Official Traveling Parties – Women’s Bowling

Increases the official NCAA championship traveling party in women’s bowling from 10 to 13 individuals.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2005-18 – Postseason Bowl Certification – Contest Status – Division I-A Football

Permits a Division I-A institution to count one win each year against a Division I-AA opponent toward the six-win minimum requirement for bowl eligibility, provided the Division I-AA institution has averaged 90 percent of the permissible maximum number of grants-in-aid per year in Division I-AA football over a rolling two-year period.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “emergency” legislation]

Coaching/Personnel

No. 2004-32 – Personnel – Off-Campus Contacts/Evaluations – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football

Permits any coach in football who counts in the institution's numerical limitation of full-time head and assistant coaches to contact and evaluate prospective student-athletes off campus during a week, provided no more than seven coaches are off campus recruiting at any one time.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-102 – Personnel – Conduct of Athletics Personnel – Responsibility of Head Coach

Defines the responsibilities of a head coach with regard to compliance with NCAA rules.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

Committees

No. 2003-130 – Committees – Women's Lacrosse Rules Committee

Establishes an NCAA Women's Lacrosse Rules Committee composed of nine members, including the secretary-rules editor.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-41 – Committees – Playing Rules Oversight Panel

Modifies the playing rules approval process to assign the current role of the Executive Committee to the Playing Rules Oversight Panel, as specified in the proposal. [Note: This proposed change involves a common bylaw provision and, thus, must be approved by each of the Divisions I, II and III governance structures, acting independently.]

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

Eligibility

No. 2004-7 – Eligibility – Practice Waiver – United States Olympic Committee/National Governing Body

Permits an institution to file a request for a waiver to allow participation in practice sessions at the institution by a team-sport student-athlete with eligibility remaining who is not enrolled full time.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-16 – Eligibility – Change in Eligibility Status – Exception

Would establish a three-day exception period for certification of the six-hour and grade-point average term-by-term requirements for those institutions with established submissions or posting dates of grades or with official certification dates that are subsequent to the first day of the classes of the following term; further, requires institutions that use this exception to report to the NCAA national office the number of student-athletes who are ultimately declared ineligible for the academic term but competed during the exception period.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-17 (as amended by No. 2004-17-1) – Eligibility – Change in Eligibility Status – Eligibility for Postseason Competition – Between Terms

Specifies that an institution shall certify that a student-athlete, in his or her final season of competition in the applicable sport, has satisfactorily completed six-semester or six-quarter hours of academic credit the preceding regular academic term to be eligible to compete in postseason competition occurring between regular terms; further, increases from seven to 14 the number of business days after the date of the last scheduled examination listed in the institution's official calendar for the term that is ending by which an institution must certify completion of the six-credit-hour requirement for the previous term.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-18 – Eligibility – Fourth Season of Competition – Partial Qualifier and Nonqualifier – Students With Learning Disabilities

Permits an institution to certify that a student-athlete who is a partial qualifier or nonqualifier with a diagnosed learning disability is eligible for a fourth season of competition, as specified in the proposal.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-19 – Eligibility – Fulfillment of Credit-Hour Requirements – 24-Semester/36-Quarter Hour Requirement

Specifies that a student-athlete who is entering his or her second year of collegiate enrollment shall have satisfactorily completed as least 24-semester or 36-quarter hours of academic credit.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-20 – Eligibility – Progress Toward Degree – Fulfillment of Credit-Hour Requirements – Exceptions/Waivers

Specifies that a student-athlete may use hours earned during the term(s) of the missed-term exception and the medical-absence waiver to satisfy the 24/36-hour, percentage-of-degree and grade-point average requirements.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005 (for certifications for the 2005-06 academic year and thereafter)

No. 2004-34 – Championships and Postseason Football – Drug Testing – Eligibility for Championships – Duration of Eligibility

Specifies that the Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports (or designated subcommittee) shall have the authority in all sports to reduce the legislated penalty during a drug-test appeal to include the next 50 percent of a season of competition.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-36 – Championships and Postseason Football – Drug Testing – Eligibility for Championships – Duration of Ineligibility and Breach of Protocol

Specifies that a student-athlete's breach of drug-testing protocol (e.g., no-show, tampering with a sample) shall result in the same penalties as a positive test for a nonstreet drug.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-53 – Eligibility – Seasons of Competition – Nonqualifier

Permits a nonqualifier to participate in a fourth season of competition, provided he or she completes 80 percent of the designated degree program prior to his or her fifth year of collegiate enrollment.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-148 – Eligibility for Championships – Positive Drug Test – Non-NCAA Athletics Organization

Specifies that a student-athlete under a drug-testing suspension from a national or international sports governing body that has adopted the World Anti-Doping Agency code shall not be eligible for intercollegiate competition for the duration of the suspension.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2005-11 – Eligibility – Transfer – One-Time Transfer Exception – Student-Athlete From Division III

Permits a student-athlete who transfers from a Division III institution to a Division I institution, and qualifies for the one-time transfer exception, to receive athletically related financial aid during the first academic year in residence.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005 (for those student-athletes who transfer to a Division I institution for the 2005-06 academic year and thereafter) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

Expenses/Awards/Benefits**No. 2004-28 – Awards and Benefits – Benefits, Gifts and Services – Coaching Career Educational Program**

Permits an institution to provide actual and necessary expenses to allow student-athletes who have completed their seasons of competition and who are within one year of exhausting their eligibility to attend the Women’s Basketball Coaches Association’s “So You Want to be a Coach” educational program.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-30 – Awards and Benefits – Midyear Enrollees – Expenses for Postseason Bowl Games – Division I-A Football

Prohibits an institution in Division I-A football from providing expenses to a midyear enrollee for participation in postseason bowl games and related activities.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-71 – Awards and Benefits – Maximum Value of Awards – Postseason Bowl Games

Increases the maximum award values for sponsoring agencies of certified postseason bowl games from \$350 to \$500, and maintains the \$350 maximum value on additional awards presented by an institution to its student-athletes for bowl game participation.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-84 – Awards and Benefits – Practice or Competition Expenses – Apparel for Community Service or Team Travel

Permits an institution to provide one shirt bearing the institution’s logo per academic year to each student-athlete to be used for team travel or other events at which he or she is representing the institution; further, specifies that the shirt may bear a single manufacturer’s distributor’s normal trademark or logo not to exceed 2 1/4 square inches in area, including any additional material surrounding the normal trademark or logo.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-85 – Awards and Benefits – Conference Academic Awards – Expenses

Permits a conference office to provide actual and necessary expenses for a student-athlete’s parents (or legal guardians) and spouse to attend a conference academic awards presentation.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2005-13 – Awards and Benefits – Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition – Departure/Return Expense Restrictions – Exception – Inclement Weather

Establishes an exception to the departure/return expense restrictions for inclement weather (e.g., hurricane, snowstorm) that permits the institution to adjust original travel plans to depart no more than 72 hours prior to the start of actual competition or return no more than 60 hours following the conclusion of the actual competition; further, specifies that an institution that uses this exception is required to annually submit a detailed summary to the NCAA national office by July 31.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

Financial Aid**No. 2004-21 – Financial Aid – Maximum Team Limits – Selected Women’s Sports**

Increases the maximum grant-in-aid limitations in women’s gymnastics from 12 to 14, in women’s volleyball from 12 to 13, in women’s cross country/track and field from 18 to 20 and in women’s soccer from 12 to 14.

Effective Date: August 1, 2006

No. 2004-22 – Financial Aid – Maximum Team Limits – Women’s Rugby

Establishes in women’s rugby a maximum equivalency financial aid limit of 12.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-29 – Financial Aid – Voluntary Withdrawal – Re-Awarding of Aid – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football

Permits in football an institution to replace a counter who voluntarily withdraws during the preseason practice period by immediately providing the financial aid to a student-athlete who has been a member of the team for at least one year and has not previously received athletically related financial aid.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2005-8 – Financial Aid – Squad Lists – 14-Day Grace Period

Specifies that an institution is not required to place a student-athlete who is “trying out” for a team on the squad list form for 14 days from the first date the student engages in countable athletically related activities or until the institution’s first competition, whichever occurs earlier.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

No. 2005-14 – Financial Aid – Elements of Financial Aid – Exempted Government Grants – Disabled Veterans

Eliminates the requirement that state government awards to disabled veterans for educational purposes must be approved by the Management Council in order to exclude the grant from the permissible amount of cost of attendance of a student-athlete.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

No. 2005-17 – Financial Aid and Academic Performance Program – Contemporaneous Penalty – Aid Awarded on Term-by-Term Basis

Specifies the following in equivalency sports: (1) For an institution that awarded financial aid on an annual basis to the ineligible student-athlete, the contemporaneous penalty is applied to the total amount of countable aid awarded to the ineligible student-athlete from the most recent year of attendance prior to the withdrawal from the institution; (2) For an institution that awarded financial aid on a term-by-term basis to the ineligible student-athlete when the student-athlete was in attendance for all terms of the academic year and the student-athlete received aid for all terms of the academic year or part thereof, the limitation on aid is applied to the total amount of countable aid received by the student-athlete from the most recent year of attendance prior to

withdrawal from the institution (i.e., equivalency value of that student-athlete); and (3) For an institution that awarded financial aid on a term-by-term basis to the ineligible student-athlete when the student-athlete was not in attendance for all terms of the academic year, the contemporaneous penalty is applied to the sum of the amount of countable aid awarded to the student-athlete for those term(s) of attendance (e.g., semester or quarter) plus those term(s) the student-athlete was not in attendance. For those term(s) the student-athlete was not in attendance, the institution shall impute into the equation the greatest value of the term(s) in which the student-athlete was in attendance. The limitation shall not exceed one full equivalency value (i.e., 1.0). Further, specifies that when the aid was awarded to a midyear enrollee the limitation shall be based on the actual amount of countable aid awarded to the student-athlete for the portion of the year he or she was in attendance.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “emergency” legislation]

Legislative Process/Governance

No. 2002-96 (as amended) – Committees – Division I-AA/I-AAA Presidential Advisory Group

Establishes a Division I-AA/I-AAA Presidential Advisory Group composed of one president from each of the 20 Division I-AA and I-AAA conferences represented in the Division I governance structure, including the seven Division I-AA/I-AAA members of the Board of Directors, and specifies that the group shall be subject to gender and ethnic diversity expectations.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Removed from the table (tabled in April 2003) and adopted as “emergency” legislation]

No. 2005-21 – Legislative Process – Board of Directors Authority to Sponsor Legislation

Permits the Division I Board of Directors to initiate legislative proposals.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “emergency” legislation]

No. 2005-22 – Legislative Process – Board of Directors – Legislative Authority

Specifies that the Division I Board of Directors may: (a) restore a proposal defeated at the January Management Council meeting to the status it would have had but for the Management Council action; and (b) resurrect a proposal defeated at the Management Council’s April meeting and allow the Board to consider the proposal on its merits at either its April or August meeting.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “emergency” legislation]

Membership

No. 2003-48 – Membership – Conditions and Obligations of Active Membership – Certification of Insurance Coverage

Requires as a condition and obligation of NCAA membership that an institution certify on an annual basis insurance coverage for athletically related injuries sustained by specified participants in covered events.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-105 – Membership – Division I-A Conference Requirements – Two-Year Grace Period

Establishes a two-year grace period during which a conference may continue to be considered a Division I-A conference when it fails to satisfy the eight full Division I-A member requirement due to one or more of its members’ failure to comply with the Division I-A membership requirements.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2005-15 – Membership – Multidivision Classification

Clarifies the process for reclassifying a football program from Division I-AA to Division I-A; further, amends the filing date for the petition to move from Division I-AA to Division I-A from June 1 to June 30.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

No. 2005-16 – Membership – Provisional and Reclassifying Processes

Amends the deadline by which an institution seeking to join Division I must submit its application and fee from December 1 to September 1.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

No. 2005-19 – Division I Membership – Division I-A Football Scheduling Requirements – Division I-AA Opponents

Permits a Division I-A institution to count one contest each year against a Division I-AA opponent toward the home game scheduling requirement (i.e., at least four games in 2004-05 and 2005-06 and five games thereafter) for Division I-A membership, provided that the Division I-AA institution has averaged 90 percent of the permissible maximum number of grants-in-aid per year in Division I-AA football over a rolling two-year period.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “emergency” legislation]

No. 2005-20 – Membership – Division I-A Football Membership Requirements – Attendance Requirements

Specifies that an institution classified in Division I-A shall demonstrate during a rolling two-year period, at least one season in which it averages a minimum of 15,000 in actual attendance for all home football games or at least one season in which the institution averages a minimum of 15,000 in paid attendance for all home football games.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005 [Adopted as “emergency” legislation]

Playing and Practice Seasons**No. 2004-31 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Five-Day Acclimatization Period – Walk-Throughs – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football**

Permits an institution in football to conduct one one-hour walk-through per day during the five-day acclimatization period, provided protective equipment (e.g., helmets, shoulder pads) is not worn, equipment related to football (e.g., footballs, blocking sleds) is not used and conditioning activities do not occur.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-38 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Coaching Activities Outside the Playing Season

Permits an institutional coaching staff member in any sport to engage in coaching activities with a student-athlete from that institution who participates in Olympic, Pan American, World Championships, World Cup or World University games qualifying competition.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-39 – Personnel and Playing and Practice Seasons and Minimum Contest Requirements – Women’s Rugby

Establishes in women’s rugby coaching limitations (three), the minimum number of contests (nine) necessary for sports sponsorship purposes and the playing and practice season.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-45 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Basketball – On-Court Practice

Specifies in basketball that an institution may not commence on-court preseason basketball practice sessions prior to 7 p.m. on the Friday nearest October 15.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-52 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Preseason Practice and First Date of Competition – Women's Volleyball

Establishes in women's volleyball the first permissible date of competition as the Friday prior to September 1, or the preceding Friday if September 1 falls on a Friday, or two Fridays prior to September 1 if September 1 falls on a Saturday; further, establishes the first permissible date of practice as the date that permits a maximum of 29 units prior to the first scheduled intercollegiate contest or September 1, whichever is later.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-61 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Summer Practice – Facility Fees

Permits an institution to pay fees associated with the use of institutional practice and competition facilities by student-athletes engaged in voluntary athletically related activities in their sports during the summer.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-64 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Alumni Match – Women's Volleyball

Permits an institution in women's volleyball to play in an alumni match during the week prior to the first permissible date of competition.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-66-B – Playing and Practice Seasons – Swimming and Diving – Out-of-Season Activities

Specifies in swimming and diving that outside the playing season a student-athlete may be involved in in-pool conditioning activities and swimming-specific equipment may be used.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-72 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Number of Contests – Division I-A Football

Permits an institution in Division I-A football to annually compete in 12 regular-season football contests.

Effective Date: August 1, 2006

No. 2004-74 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Length of Playing Season – Skiing

Permits an institution that sponsors both alpine and nordic skiing to declare separate playing and practice seasons.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-75 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Rowing – Lightweight Rowing

Permits an institution that sponsors a lightweight rowing program to apply the playing and practice season provisions to the lightweight program independently from its open rowing program.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-77 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Preseason Practice – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football

Specifies in football that an institution that has a prohibition against athletics activities during a specific day of the week due to religious reasons, shall be permitted to start practice one day earlier than the date determined by the practice unit formula.

Effective Date: May 1, 2005

No. 2004-83 – Playing and Practice Seasons – First Practice Date – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football

Increases in football the number of practice units from 35 to 40.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-88-B – Playing and Practice Seasons – First Contest Date – Softball

Establishes in softball the second Thursday in February as the first permissible contest date for championship segment competition.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-109 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Coaching Activities – Outside Competition

Permits a coaching staff member in sports that allow individual-workout sessions in the summer to engage in coaching activities with a student-athlete from that institution who is participating in established national championship events or Olympic, Pan American, World Cup or World University games qualifying competition during an academic year in which a student-athlete is eligible to represent an institution in athletics competition (or in the following summer).

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2005-10 – Playing and Practice Seasons – General Playing-Season Regulations – Segments of Playing Season – Exception – Severe Inclement Weather

Permits an institution to temporarily discontinue a segment due to severe inclement weather (e.g., hurricane, snowstorm) and then restart the discontinued segment provided the permissible overall length of that segment is not exceeded; further, specifies that if an institution uses this exception, it is required to annually submit a detailed summary to the NCAA national office by July 31.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “noncontroversial” legislation]

Recruiting**No. 2003-32 (as amended by No. 2003-32-1) – Recruiting – Printed Recruiting Materials**

Permits an institution to send a prospect, a prospect’s coach and any other individual responsible for teaching or directing an activity in which a prospect is involved only general correspondence, questionnaires, camp brochures, institutionally prepared (nonathletics) publications available to all students, a recruiting or media guide [limited in size and length (not to exceed 208 pages)], NCAA educational materials and business cards; further permits all other recruiting materials to be posted on the institution’s Web site; however, such items may not be printed from the Web and provided to prospects via mail or during visits.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005 (for publications prepared for the 2005-06 academic year and thereafter)

No. 2003-83 – Recruiting – Definitions and Applications – Prospective Student-Athlete

Revises the definition of a prospective student-athlete to specify that an individual attending classes and receiving institutional athletics aid during the summer prior to initial full-time enrollment shall not be considered “a prospective student-athlete” for purposes of applying Bylaws 13 and 16 but shall remain a prospective student-athlete in the application of all other bylaws.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2003-125 – Recruiting – Predraft Camp Exception – Men’s Basketball

Establishes in men’s basketball an evaluation period for National Basketball Association (NBA) predraft camps that occur during the period from May 1 through July 5 and permits men’s basketball coaches to attend such camps.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-3 – Recruiting – Entertainment Restrictions

Permits an institution to provide a high-school, college preparatory school or two-year college coach with a maximum of two complimentary admissions to attend a home athletics event at any facility within a 30-mile radius of the institution’s campus.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-27 – Recruiting – Recruiting Materials – Nonathletics Institutional Advertisements

Permits an institution (or a third party acting on behalf of the institution) to publish nonathletics institutional advertisements or promotional materials at high school or two-year collegiate athletics events, as specified in the proposal.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-33 – Recruiting – Camps and Clinics – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football

Limits in football coaching staff members’ employment at institutional or private camps to two 15 consecutive-day periods during the months of June and July, unless such activities meet the provisions regarding developmental clinics.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-35 – Recruiting – Tryouts – Nonscholastic Basketball – Basketball

Prohibits any institutional staff member with basketball-specific duties (e.g. coaches, graduate assistants, director of basketball operations, managers and administrative personnel) from participating in coaching activities involving nonscholastic-based basketball teams.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-49 – Recruiting—Local Sports Clubs – Women’s Volleyball

Prohibits in women’s volleyball coaching of a local sports club at off-campus competition where prospects are present during a dead or quiet period.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-56 – Recruiting – Tryouts – Private Lessons – Equestrian

Permits women’s equestrian coaches to give private lessons to prospects, as specified in the proposal.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-57 – Recruiting – Camps and Clinics – Football or Basketball

Permits camps and clinics in football or basketball to be conducted during June, July and August or any calendar week that includes days of those months.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-78 – Recruiting – Contacts – Official Visits

Permits any institutional staff member to contact a prospect within 30 miles of campus during the prospect's official visit.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-79 – Recruiting – Contact Restrictions at Specified Sites – Basketball

Permits in basketball an institution to send printed recruiting materials through regular mail to a prospect's home while the prospect is participating in a certified event.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-80 – Recruiting – Camps and Clinics – Division I-AA Football

Permits in Division I-AA football an institution to employ at its football camps members of its football squad who have eligibility remaining.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-87 – Administrative Regulations – Recruiting Calendar – Women's Volleyball

Modifies the women's volleyball recruiting calendar, as specified in the proposal.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-89 – Recruiting – Official Visit – Transportation

Permits any member of an institution's athletics department staff to provide ground transportation between the campus and any bus or train station or airport during an official visit for a prospect and the prospect's parents or legal guardians and specifies that the 48-hour official visit period begins when the prospect is transported from any bus or train station or major airport (other than those facilities nearest to the campus).

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-90 – Recruiting – Precollege Expenses – Use of Institution's Facility

Permits a state high-school association to use a member institution's facilities for state high school championship events at a reduced rate.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-155 – Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – NCAA Promotional Activities

Permits an institution's coach to participate in NCAA promotional activities (e.g., autograph sessions, fan festivals, and opening ceremonies) at NCAA championship events, provided contacts with prospective student-athletes are not prearranged and no recruiting activities occur.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as "noncontroversial" legislation]

No. 2005-7 – Recruiting – Camps and Clinics – Student-Athlete Employment

Eliminates the percentage limitations on the coaching and officiating duties of a student-athlete employed in a sports camp or clinic.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as "noncontroversial" legislation]

No. 2005-9 – Recruiting – Contacts/Offers and Inducements – Funerals/Memorial Services and Tokens of Support

Permits an institutional staff member to attend the funeral or memorial service of a student-athlete or a prospective student-athlete or a member of the prospective student-athlete's immediate family, at which prospective student-athletes also may be in attendance, provided no recruiting contact occurs, and the involved prospect has signed a National Letter of Intent (NLI) with the institution, or for those institutions that do not subscribe to the NLI program, a written offer of admission and/or financial aid; further, permits an institution to present to a prospective student-athlete or the immediate family of a prospective student-athlete, a donation (up to \$100) to a charity on behalf of the prospective student-athlete or other reasonable tokens of support (e.g., flowers) in the event of the death of a prospect or the prospect's immediate family member's death or life threatening injury or illness provided the prospect has signed an NLI with the institution, or for those institutions that do not subscribe to the NLI program, a written offer of admission and/or financial aid.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as "noncontroversial" legislation]

No. 2005-12 – Recruiting – Transportation and Complimentary Admissions – Official Visits – Exception

Permits an institution to provide complimentary admissions to home contests that have been relocated outside the 30-mile radius of the institution's main campus due to the home facilities' inoperable conditions (e.g., construction or facility repairs).

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as "noncontroversial" legislation]

National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC)**No. 2004-112-D – Eligibility – Seasons of Competition – Preseason Exhibition Contests or Informal Practice Scrimmages**

Specifies in all sports that during the student-athlete's initial year of enrollment at the certifying institution, participation in preseason exhibition contests or informal practice scrimmages shall not result in the loss of a season of competition.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005 (may be applied on a retroactive basis)

No. 2004-114 – Personnel – Off-Campus Recruiting – Men's Basketball

Permits in men's basketball three certified coaching staff members to engage in off-campus recruiting of men's basketball prospective student-athletes at the same time; further, eliminates the requirement that a coach may not leave campus to engage in off-campus contact or evaluations until one of the other coaches who is off campus actually returns to campus (i.e. the "baton rule").

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005)

No. 2004-115-B – Playing and Practice Seasons – Countable Athletically Related Activities – Men's Basketball

Specifies in men's basketball that a student-athlete is permitted to engage in a maximum of eight hours of countable athletically related activities per week outside of the playing season during the academic year, with not more than two of those hours devoted to individual or team skill related instruction. In addition, eliminates the limitations on the number of student-athletes involved in such activities at any one time. Finally, specifies that all athletically related activities outside the playing season are prohibited one week prior to the beginning of the examination period through the conclusion of each student-athlete's final exams.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as "emergency" legislation after the proposal was defeated by the Council]

No. 2004-118 – Recruiting – Camps and Clinics – Employment of Athletics Staff Members – Men’s Basketball

Specifies in men’s basketball that coaches and noncoaching staff members with basketball specific responsibilities may be employed only at the institution’s camps or clinics.

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Contracts signed prior to July 20, 2004, may be honored, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admissions to or employment of athletics award winners)].

No. 2004-119-B (as amended by No. 2004-119-B-1) – Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – Men’s Basketball

Modifies the current recruiting regulations relating to contacts and evaluations of prospective men’s basketball student-athletes as follows: (A) Permits authorized coaching staff members to engage in off-campus recruiting during 130 person days as follows: (1) September 9-October 5 – Contact Period; (2) October 6-March 31 – Evaluation Period; (3) April 1-April 30 – Contact Period, (4) December 24-December 26 – Dead Period. Current dead periods surrounding the National Letter of Intent (NLI) in the Division I Men’s Basketball Championship will be retained. (B) Permits an institution to engage in seven recruiting opportunities for each prospect, with not more than three of those opportunities being off-campus contacts. Contact with a prospect may not be made prior to September 9 of the prospect’s senior year in high school. (C) Limits academic-year evaluations to the following activities: (1) scholastic practices and competition; (2) regular scholastic activities involving student-athletes enrolled only at that institution and (3) observe nonscholastic events during the April contract period that are approved, sanctioned, sponsored or conducted by the applicable state or national high school, preparatory school or two-year college association only on weekends during which national standardized tests are not administered; (D) Permits an institution to telephone a prospect once per month beginning June 15 at the conclusion of the sophomore year through July 31 of the junior year, and twice per week beginning August 1 prior to the beginning of the senior year. Institutions may telephone a two-year college men’s basketball prospect once per week.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-132-B – Personnel – Off-Campus Recruiting – Number of Coaches Recruiting Off Campus

Eliminates in all sports the requirement that a coach may not leave campus to engage in off-campus contact or evaluations until one of the other coaches who is off campus actually returns to campus (i.e., the “baton rule”).

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

Women’s Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA)**No. 2004-122 – Administrative Regulations – Recruiting Calendars – Women’s Basketball**

Modifies in women’s basketball the fall contact period to occur September 16 through October 6 (contact period of 21 days); further, permits 85 recruiting person-days between September 16 through April 30, with those days not designated for evaluations to be considered quiet and also retains other specified recruiting period designations (e.g., dead period surrounding the NCAA Division I Women’s Final Four).

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-124 – Recruiting – July Evaluation Period – Communication With Prospects – Women’s Basketball

Prohibits in women’s basketball all communication with a prospect, the prospect’s relatives or legal guardians, the prospect’s coach or any individual associated with the prospect as a result of the prospect’s participation in basketball directly or indirectly, during the specified evaluation periods in July.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-131 – Personnel – Off-Campus Recruiting – Women’s Basketball

Increases from two to three the number of certified coaches in women’s basketball permitted to recruit off campus.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-133-B – Playing and Practice Seasons – Out-of-Season Practice Activities – Skill Instruction – Women’s Basketball

Permits in women’s basketball the permissible eight hours of out-of-season practice to include conditioning, weight training or skill instruction of which not more than four hours per week may be spent on individual skill instruction.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-134 – Recruiting – Camps and Clinics – Coaches’ and Student-Athlete Employment – Women’s Basketball

Specifies in women’s basketball that a coach (or any individual with women’s basketball only responsibilities) and student-athletes may be employed only at the institution’s camps or clinics; further, specifies that an institution may not employ another Division I women’s basketball coach [or any other individual with women’s basketball only responsibilities (e.g., director of basketball operations)] at the camp or clinic.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005 [Contracts signed prior to July 20, 2004, may be honored, provided the camp or clinic is operated in accordance with restrictions applicable to institutional camps (e.g., open to any and all entrants, no free or reduced admissions to or employment of athletics award winners)]

No. 2004-136 – Recruiting – Contacts – Parents Who Serve as Coaches of Nonscholastic and Scholastic Teams – Women’s Basketball

Applies in women’s basketball the recruiting regulations relating to a parent when the parent also serves as a coach of a nonscholastic team on which his or her daughter participates; further, specifies that an institution may contact a parent/legal guardian of a prospect who also serves as a head coach of his or her daughter’s scholastic team.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-137 – Recruiting – Contacts Subsequent to Commitment to Attend Institution – Women’s Basketball

Permits in women’s basketball unlimited contact with a women’s basketball prospective student-athlete who has signed a National Letter of Intent (NLI) (or for those institutions not subscribing to the NLI, a written offer of admission or financial aid) during any contact and evaluation period.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-141 – Recruiting – Telephone Calls to Prospects – Women’s Basketball

Prohibits in women’s basketball an institution from making telephone calls to prospective student-athletes in March of the prospect’s junior year; further, permits an institution to make one telephone call in each of the months of April, May and June of the prospective student-athlete’s junior year of high school with subsequent telephone calls subject to current limitations (e.g., one call June 21 through June 30, three calls in July).

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

No. 2004-145 – Playing and Practice Seasons – Out-of-Season Skill Instruction – Women’s Basketball

Permits in women’s basketball more than four student-athletes at any one time to engage in skill-related instruction outside of the playing season with their coach(es).

Effective Date: Immediately (April 28, 2005) [Adopted as “emergency” legislation after the proposal was defeated by the Council]

No. 2004-146 (as amended by No. 2004-146-1) – Recruiting – Evaluations During Academic Year – Nonscholastic Events – Women’s Basketball

Prohibits in women’s basketball evaluations at nonscholastic events during the prospective student-athlete’s academic year, except at nonscholastic events conducted during the last full weekend (Saturday and Sunday) of the fall contact period and the weekend (Saturday and Sunday) during the spring evaluation period.

Effective Date: August 1, 2005

Proposals Not Approved**Defeated**

The following 13 proposals were defeated during the April 11 and 12, and April 28, 2005, meetings of the Council and Board, respectively:

<u>Proposal No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
2004-44-A	Awards and Benefits – Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition – Reimbursement
2004-44-B	Awards and Benefits – Expenses Provided by the Institution for Practice and Competition – Reimbursement
2004-69 (I-A only)	Recruiting – Contact and Evaluations – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football
2004-72 (I-AA only)	Playing and Practice Seasons – Number of Contests – Divisions I-A Football
2004-86	Eligibility – Progress Toward Degree – Credit Earned Prior to Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment
2004-99-A (I-A only)	Recruiting – Number of Official Visits – Prospect Limitation Division I-A Football
2004-104	Committees – Minority Opportunities and Interests and Committee – Composition
2004-116	Playing and Practice Seasons – Out-of-Season Practice – Men’s Basketball
2004-130	Personnel – Employment With Professional League or Team – Women’s Basketball [Defeated by the Board after being approved by the Council]
2004-133-A	Playing and Practice Seasons – Out-of-Season Practice Activities – Women’s Basketball
2004-135	Recruiting – Communication Methods – Women’s Basketball
2004-140	Recruiting – Recruiting Materials – Presentation Materials – Women’s Basketball
2004-142	Recruiting – Tryout Exceptions – Scholastic and Nonscholastic Events – Women’s Basketball

Not Moved

The following eight proposals were not moved during the Council’s April 11 and 12, 2005, meetings:

<u>Proposal No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
2004-40-A	Playing and Practice Seasons – Maximum Number of Contests and Certified Events
2004-40-B (and 2004-B-1)	Playing and Practice Seasons – Maximum Number of Contests and Certified Events
2004-40-C	Playing and Practice Seasons – Maximum Number of Contests and Certified Events
2004-69 (I-AA only)	Recruiting – Contact and Evaluations – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football
2004-110-A	Recruiting – Signed Prospective Student-Athlete Access – Basketball
2004-112-B	Eligibility – Seasons of Competition – Preseason Exhibition Contests or Informal Practice Scrimmages
2004-115-A	Playing and Practice Seasons – Countable Athletically Related Activities – Men’s Basketball
2004-119-A	Recruiting – Contacts and Evaluations – Men’s Basketball

Referred

The following three proposals were referred during the April 11 and 12, and April 28, 2005, meetings of the Council and Board, respectively:

<u>Proposal No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
2002-82	Financial Aid – Counters – Football or Basketball, Varsity Competition [Referred by the Board to the Council, Board will act in August]
2003-23-A	Financial Aid – Countable Financial Aid – Team Limits [Referred by the Board to the Council, Board will act in August]
2003-122	Eligibility – Seasons of Competition – Partial Qualifier and Nonqualifier [Referred by the Council to the Academics/Eligibility/Compliance Cabinet, Council will act in July]

Moot

The following three proposals were made moot by adoption of other proposals during the Council's April 11 and 12, 2005, meetings:

<u>Proposal No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
2004-54	Personnel – Off-Campus Recruiting – Divisions I-A and I-AA Football – Exception (by adoption of 2004-32)
2004-66-A	Playing and Practice Seasons – Swimming and Diving – Out-of-Season Activities (by adoption of 2004-66-B)
2004-107	Financial Aid – Re-Awarding Aid – Division I-A Football (by adoption of 2004-29)

Withdrawn by Sponsors

The following proposal was withdrawn by its sponsors during the Council's April 11 and 12, 2005, meetings:

<u>Proposal No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
2004-126	Administrative Regulations – Recruiting Calendars – Women's Basketball – USA Basketball Youth Festival

Deferred to Regular Legislative Cycle

The following proposal was deferred to the regular legislative cycle during the Council's April 11 and 12, 2005, meetings:

<u>Proposal No.</u>	<u>Title</u>
2003-24 (and 2003-24-1)	Financial Aid – Terms and Conditions – Period of Award

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