

AGENDA

Women's Basketball Coaches Association
NCAA Division III Business Meeting presented by adidas and Marriott Bonvoy

11 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. ET, Sunday, April 7, 2019
Tampa Marriott Waterside, 2nd Floor, Florida Ballroom Salon IV
Tampa Bay, Florida

1. Call to order. Polly Thomason, WBCA board member.
2. Remarks by the president. Jennifer Rizzotti, WBCA president.
3. Presentation by Marriott Bonvoy. Maureen Selke, Marriott Bonvoy representative.
4. Recognition of United States Marine Corps/WBCA Regional Coaches of the Year.
5. WBCA report. Thomason.
 - a. Recognition of award winners.
 - b. Recognition of board members, conference captains and committee members.
 - c. Vacancies on board of directors and committees.
 - Board (vice president, NCAA DIII director, assistant coach director) – voting begins April 22, ends May 3.
 - Committees – nominations open Aug. 22, close Sept. 18; voting begins Sept. 19, ends Sept. 26.
 - d. WBCA updates.
6. Women's Collegiate All-Star Game report. Pat Manning, Williams College.
7. NCAA vice president's report. Lynn Holzman, vice president of women's basketball.
8. NCAA report. Danielle Walter, assistant director of academic and membership affairs; Kelly Whitaker, director of championships and alliances.
 - a. Diversity, Retention and Professional Development in Coaching Survey.
 - b. Legislative update.
 - c. Coach credentialing.
 - d. Strategic plan update.
 - e. Championship update.
9. NCAA playing rules update. Linda Cimino, chair, Women's Basketball Rules Committee; Jon Levinson, women's basketball secretary-rules editor; Rachel Seewald, associate director of championships and alliances.
10. Other business.
11. Adjournment.

NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

BULLETIN APRIL 2019

The NCAA Division III Women's Basketball Committee is providing this information to outline key actions taken by the committee during the past year, as well as topics for future consideration. In addition, if you have any questions regarding this information, please contact a member of the committee or Kelly Whitaker, assistant director, championships and alliances, at the NCAA (Phone: 317/917-6511; Email: kwhitaker@ncaa.org).

National Committee Members

Karin Harvey, chair Atlantic
Montclair State University September 2021

Megan Wilson Central
University of Wisconsin, Platteville September 2020

Jim Scheible East
University of Rochester September 2019

Kristin Huffman Great Lakes
DePauw University September 2019

Dan Fisher Mid-Atlantic
Landmark Conference September 2022

Mary Lynn Skarzenski Northeast
Nichols College September 2022

Polly Thomason South
University of Texas at Dallas September 2021

Lesley Irvine West
Pomona-Pitzer Colleges June 2019

NCAA Championship Manager

Kelly Whitaker, assistant director, championships and alliances

Championship Recap

- **By the Numbers:**
 - 442 Institutions sponsoring women's basketball
 - 436 Eligible for NCAA championship
 - 419 Eligible teams in AQ conferences
 - 17 Pool B teams
 - Access ratio 1:9.744
- **64-Team tournament:**
 - 43 Automatic-qualifying conferences (Pool A)
 - 1 Independent (Pool B)
 - 20 At large (Any teams not selected as Pool A or B)
- Semifinals/final hosted by Old Dominion Athletic Conference and the City of Salem.

- Final Four Teams:
 - Bowdoin College, Coach Adrienne Shibles
 - University of St. Thomas (MN), Coach Ruth Sinn
 - Thomas More University, Coach Jeff Hans
 - University of Scranton, Coach Trevor Woodruff
- Semi-Final Games
 - Bowdoin defeated St. Thomas (MN) (71-60)
 - Thomas More defeated Scranton (69-56)
- Championship Game: Thomas More defeated Bowdoin (81-67)

Annual Meeting

The Division III Women's Basketball Committee will meet April 22-24. If you have issues that you would like the committee to discuss, please forward them in writing to Kelly Whitaker (kwhitaker@ncaa.org) at the NCAA office by April 12.

Division III Championships Committee Actions

- Conference commissioners group submitted a regional realignment proposal for consideration. The championships committee will solicit additional feedback from sport committees prior to final approval. If approved, women's basketball will move from 8 regions to 10 regions.
- Avoiding first-round conference matchups regardless of geographic proximity has been approved in concept as a two-year pilot program. Final decision/approval from Management Council's and Budget and Finance subcommittee in April.

FUTURE CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

2020 Championship Dates.

Selections: Monday, March 2
First-/Second-Rounds: Friday & Saturday, March 6-7
Sectionals: Friday & Saturday, March 13-14
Finals: Friday & Saturday, March 20-21

Co-hosts: Capital University and the Greater Columbus Sports Commission.

Championship Date Formula.

First-/Second-Rounds: First weekend in March (Fri-Sat)
Sectionals: Second weekend in March (Fri-Sat)
Finals: Third weekend in March (Fri-Sat)



NCAA Division III Updates

Women's Basketball Coaches Association Convention



Overview

- Recently Adopted Legislation.
- NCAA Diversity, Retention and Professional Development in Coaching Survey.

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Recently Adopted Legislation



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NCAA Proposal No. 2019-4

MEMBERSHIP – CONDITIONS AND OBLIGATIONS – STUDENT-ATHLETE GRADUATION RATE REPORTING.

Intent: To include as a condition and obligation of Division III active membership, that an institution submit on an annual basis student-athlete graduation rate reporting data for the academic success rate in a form prescribed by the Management Council; further to establish that annual championships eligibility is contingent upon submission of the student-athlete graduation rate data.

Effective Date: August 1, 2019 (First reporting date is June 1, 2020).



Proposal No. 2019-4, cont.

CURRENT RULE	PROPOSAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual submission of student-body enrollment and graduation rate data is required.• Annual submission of student-athlete graduation rate data is voluntary.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Requires institutions to annually submit student-athlete graduation rate data in addition to submitting student-body enrollment and graduation rate data.• Failure to submit the data render an institution's teams and individuals ineligible to participate in NCAA championships for that year.

Proposal No. 2019-5

AMATEURISM -- PRE-ENROLLMENT EDUCATIONAL EXPENSES.

Intent: To permit individuals to accept educational expenses (e.g. tuition, fees, room, board and books) prior to collegiate enrollment from any individual or entity other than an agent, professional sports team/organization or representative of an institution's athletics interests, provided such expenses are disbursed directly through the recipient's educational institution (e.g., preparatory school, high school).

Effective Date: August 1, 2019.

Proposal No. 2019-5, cont.

<h2>CURRENT RULE</h2>	<h2>PROPOSAL</h2>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A prospective student-athlete may not receive expenses for secondary school education based on athletics ability from an outside organization or an individual.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Permits outside organizations or individuals to provide grants, scholarships, etc. based on athletics to pay for secondary school educational expenses.• The awards must be disbursed through the secondary institution.

Proposal No. 2019-6

ELIGIBILITY – FINAL TERM BEFORE EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING.

Intent: To extend the existing final term exception to the full-time enrollment requirement to include student-athletes that are carrying (for credit) all courses necessary to complete degree requirements but have an outstanding experiential learning requirement.

Effective Date: August 1, 2019.

Proposal No. 2019-6, cont.

CURRENT RULE	PROPOSAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Permits a student-athlete to participate while enrolled less than full time in the final semester/quarter of their academic program.• The student-athlete must be carrying for credit all courses needed to complete the degree.• If the student-athlete has an outstanding experiential learning requirement that is not taken in this term, the student-athlete does not qualify for the existing exception and must be enrolled full time to participate.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Permits a student-athlete to participate while enrolled less than full time provided they are carrying for credit the courses necessary to complete the degree, except for an outstanding experiential learning requirement.

Proposal No. 2019-7

RECRUITING – SOCIAL MEDIA AND PUBLICITY – EXCEPTIONS – CONNECT WITH PROSPECTIVE STUDENT-ATHLETES.

Intent: To establish an exception to the restrictions on electronic transmissions and publicity before commitment legislation to permit athletics department staff members to (1) connect with (e.g., "friend," "follow," etc.) prospective student-athletes on social media platforms; and (2) take actions (e.g., "like," "favorite," republish, etc.) on social media platforms that indicate approval of content generated by users of the platforms other than institutional staff members or representatives of an institution's athletics interests.

Effective Date: Immediate.

Proposal No. 2019-7, cont.

CURRENT RULE	PROPOSAL
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coaches may not communicate publicly (including friend or follow) with a PSA via social media until May 1 of the PSA's senior year in high school and then only if the PSA has submitted a financial deposit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Athletics department staff members would be permitted at any time to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Connect with PSAs on social media platforms (e.g., friend, follow).○ Take actions on social media platforms that indicate approval (e.g., like, favorite, republish) of content generated by the PSA or in which PSAs are publicly linked.• Substantive comments with a PSA on social media remain subject to the current legislation.

NCAA Division III

NCAA Diversity, Retention and Professional Development in Coaching Survey

Background

- Commission on College Basketball reform efforts included several policy and legislative recommendations.
- Collaboration with men's basketball and NCAA Office of Inclusion and Human Resources.
- Women's Basketball Strategic Plan – Leadership Pillar.

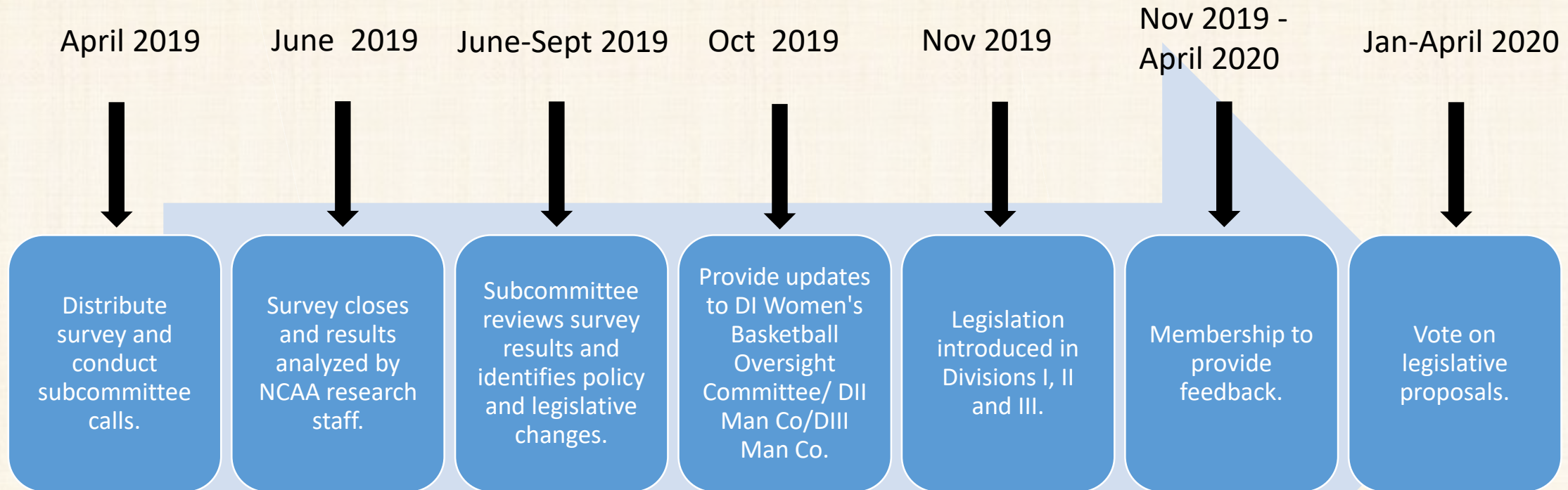
Scope of Review

- Creating professional development opportunities for women's basketball coaches.
- Increasing the diversity within the women's basketball coaching profession.
- Identifying strategies for the retention of women in the coaching profession.

Subcommittee Composition

- Representation from all three divisions.
- Representation from the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.
- Administrators and coaches.

Anticipated Timeline



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Survey

- Opened: March 25, 2019
- Closes: May 1, 2019
- Time to complete: Approximately 15 minutes

- Identify strategies for the recruitment of women's basketball coaches from diverse backgrounds
- Encourage and promote the retention of women in the coaching profession.
- Create professional development opportunities for women's basketball coaches

Questions

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