

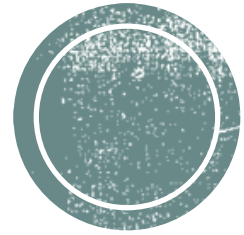
NCAA Legislation Update



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Division II Legislative Process

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 **Legislation Committee**

Interprets Division II-specific legislation and considers wording for the NCAA Division II Manual.

12 members:



 **Membership Committee**

Reviews issues related to Division II membership, including status of incoming and continuing members.

11 members:



 **Student-Athlete Advisory Committee**

Composed of college athletes who monitor and act on issues.

27 members, including:
1 from each DII conference; 1 representing independent schools; 2 from membership at large



 **Committee for Legislative Relief**

Makes final decisions on waiver requests in which no other committee or conference has authority.

5 members:



 **Academic Requirements Committee**

Reviews academic standards and makes recommendations about initial and ongoing eligibility.

10 members:



 **Committee on Infractions**

Meets as needed to participate in hearings involving Division II schools accused of violating NCAA rules.

7 members:



 **Infractions Appeals Committee**

Hears and acts on appeals of decisions by the Committee on Infractions.

5 members:



 **Championships Committee**

Oversees the conduct and administration of the 25 Division II championships.

12 members:



 **Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement**

Decides all matters related to reinstating a Division II college athlete's eligibility.

6 members:



 **Nominating Committee**

Suggests individuals who can fill vacancies on various Division II committees.

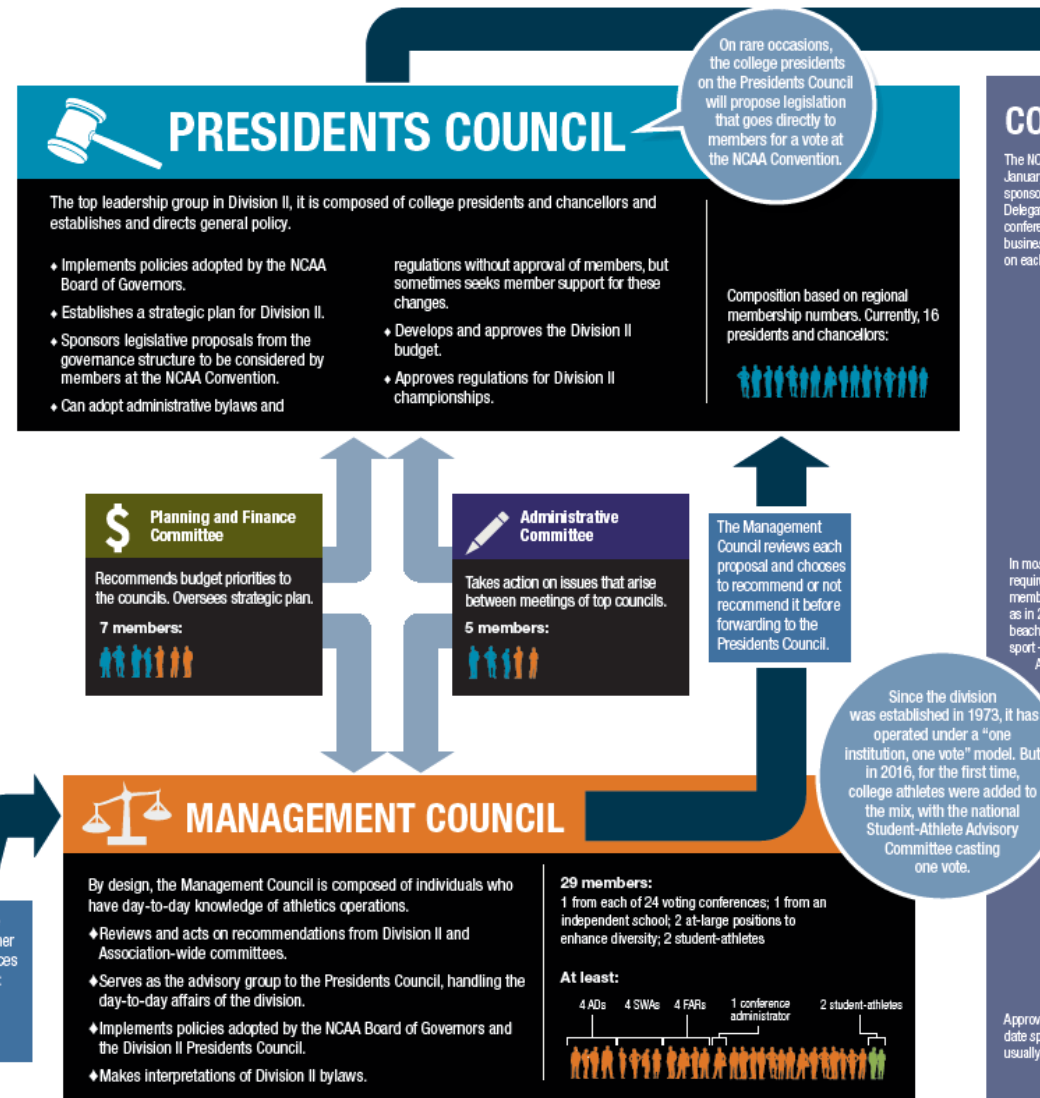
11 members:



Each Division II championship sport has a committee made up of coaches and administrators with expertise in that sport. These committees work to select teams and conduct championships, plus recommend championship dates and dates.

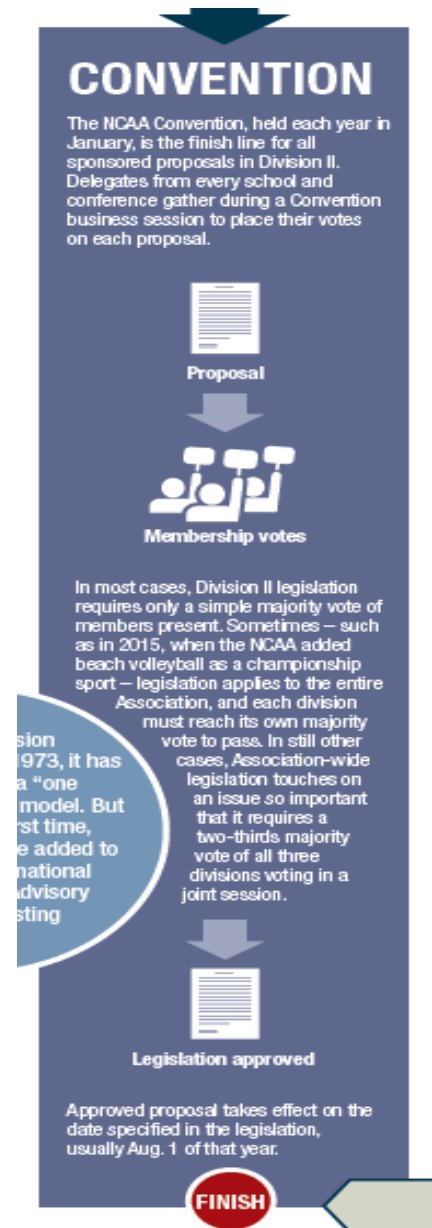


DIVISION II COUNCILS



LEGISLATION

- Two ways to propose legislation changes:
 - Governance sponsored.
 - Membership sponsored.
- Legislative reports must include:
 - Bylaws that are impacted.
 - Type of legislation.
 - Rationale and how it supports the division's philosophy.
 - Student-athlete and budget impacts.
 - Effective date.

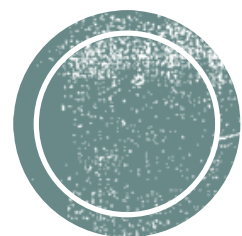




LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR

- July 15: Membership-sponsored proposals must be submitted.
- August 15: Membership-sponsored proposals are published on NCAA.org.
- September 1: Deadline for President Council to sponsor legislation.
- September 15: Final revisions to membership-sponsored proposals are due.
- September 23: Revised membership-sponsored proposals are published on NCAA.org again. Committee-sponsored proposals are also now posted online.
- November 1: Any amendments to original proposals and any resolutions are due.
- November 15: An Official Notice of legislation is delivered to high-ranking individuals, including the president and athletics directors.





2017 NCAA Convention Update



Amateurism

- Proposal No. 2017-1: Expenses from an Outside Sponsor.
 - Permits receipt of actual and necessary expenses from an outside sponsor other than an agent, booster or professional sports team.
 - Since funds can be earmarked, it is permissible to raise funds through crowdfunding sites.
 - Any additional monies would need to be donated to team or organization general fund.
 - Does not change application for institutional fundraisers.
 - Aligns Division II legislation with Division I.
- Immediately effective.



Recruiting

- Proposal No. 2017-5: Permission to Contact from NAIA Institutions
 - No longer required to receive permission to contact NAIA prospective student-athletes.
 - Must send courtesy notification to the NAIA institution of intent to recruit **before** initiating contact.
 - Similar to NAIA legislation.
- Immediately effective.



Recruiting

- Proposal No. 2017-6: Pre-Enrollment Fees
 - Permissible to waive, pay in advance or guarantee payment.
 - PSA must have signed a NLI, written offer of financial aid or admission, or paid financial deposit in response to admission.
- Immediately effective.



Health and Safety

- Proposal No. 2016-11: Independent Medical Care
 - Institutions required to establish a structure that ensures that athletics health care providers (e.g., team physician, athletic trainers) have unchallengeable autonomous authority over medical management and return-to-play decisions for student-athletes.
 - Must designate an athletics health care administrator to oversee the structure.
- Effective August 1, 2017.



Financial Aid Package

- Three proposals, effective August 1, 2018:
 1. Proposal No. 2017-12: Only athletics aid will count toward team and individual equivalency limits.
 - All other institutional aid is exempt.
 - No changes to outside aid legislation.
 - Still have to adhere to cost of attendance limits.
 2. Proposal No. 2017-13: Elimination of term-by-term financial aid agreements.
 - Aid agreements must be for a full academic year.
 - Exceptions outlined in legislation, similar to Division I.



Financial Aid Package, continued

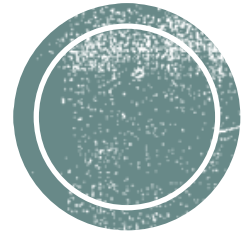
3. Proposal No. 2017-14: Increases at any time, for any reason.
 - Institutional discretion regarding reason for increase.
 - Team limits have not changed and cannot award more than a full grant-in-aid.



Hardship and Season of Competition While Eligible Waivers

- Proposal No. 2017-17.
- Revised criteria for medical hardship and season of competition while eligible waivers:
 - Injury, illness or extenuating circumstance must occur in the first half of the playing season.
 - Student-athlete can participate in 30 percent of the playing season.
 - Both calculations based on Bylaw 17 maximums.
- Basketball:
 - First half: Prior to the 14th contest.
 - 30 percent: No more than eight contests.
- Effective August 1, 2017, for any incapacitating injury or illness, or other extenuating circumstance occurring on or after August 1, 2017.





Online Coaches Education Program

Online Coaches Education Program

- Funding was received from the Division II Foundation of the Future Initiative.
 - \$1.5 million.
 - Divisions I and III may show interest in the project as well.
- Two areas of focus:
 - Health and safety, working in conjunction with the NCAA Sport Science Institute.
 - NCAA rules based education on topics such as recruiting and eligibility.



Timeline

Project Kick Off February 2017

Coaches Survey March 2017

- 13% of respondents were basketball coaches (men's 5% / women's 8%).
- 645 coaches across all sports volunteered for focus groups.

Design and Develop Content April 2017 – December 2017

Project Updates June 2017 – March 2018

Roll out of Courses Spring 2018 – Spring 2019

Will use this research and education program to assess options to potentially eliminate the coaches test.





Questions?