

**COMPLIANCE NEWS** 

April 25, 2014 - May 1, 2014

### **RECRUITING CALENDER**

#### Baseball

Apr 25 - May 1: Contact Period

### Men's Basketball

Apr 25 – Apr 27: Evaluation Period Apr 28 – May 1: Quiet Period

### Women's Basketball

Apr 25 – Apr 29: Evaluation Period Apr 30 – May 1: Quiet Period

### **Football**

Apr 25 - May 1: Evaluation Period

### Cross Country/Track

Apr 25 - May 1: Contact Period

### Women's Volleyball

Apr 25 - Apr 30: Contact Period

May 1: Quiet Period

# **Tip of the Week**

## **Weekly Hour Limitations – Outside the Playing Season**

Sports other then Football. Outside of the playing season, from the institution's first day of classes of the academic year or September 15, whichever occurs earlier, to one week prior to the beginning of the institution's final examination period at the conclusion of the academic year, only a student-athletes participation in required weight training, conditioning and skill-related instruction shall be permitted. A student-athlete's participation in such activity per Bylaw 17.02.1 shall be limited to a maximum of eight hours per week with not more than two hours per week spent on skill-related workouts.

All countable related activities outside the playing season are prohibited one week prior to the beginning of the final examination period for the applicable academic term through the conclusion of each student-athlete's final exams.

NCAA Bylaws 17.1.6.2

As Always, Please Remember to Ask Before You Act!

# **WSU Compliance News**

- Coaches please remember that CARA forms are due each Monday of the new week.
- Please complete the 2013-2014 Year-End Report of Actual Outside Income form. (Must be received by June 23, 2014)

## NCAA News: DI Board of Directors Endorses Restructuring Process, Seeks Feedback

The Division I Board of Directors is one step closer to approving a new governance system in August.

The board endorsed the restructuring process, which is aimed at allowing the division to be more nimble, streamlined and responsive to needs – particularly the needs of student-athletes – during its meeting Thursday in Indianapolis. The Steering Committee on Governance, made up of university presidents, drafted the restructuring plan.

"The model we sent to the membership today is not a final product," said Wake Forest President Nathan Hatch, chair of the board and the steering committee. "Some aspects of the model remain under discussion, and we hope the membership will provide us further input."

Under the proposal, the division would still be led by a Board of Directors composed primarily of university presidents. However, new voices would be added: the chair of the Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee; the chair of a new group tentatively called the Council; a Senior Woman Administrator; and the most senior Division I member of the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association's executive committee. The council chair would always be an athletics director, giving that constituency an automatic spot on the board.

The Board would focus chiefly on oversight and strategic issues, while leaving much of the day-to-day policy and legislative responsibility to the council.

The council, composed of at least 60 percent athletics directors, would have 38 members: one from each conference plus two voting student-athletes and four commissioners (one from the five highest profile Football Bowl Subdivision conferences, one from the remaining FBS conferences, one from the Football Championship Subdivision conferences and one from the remaining conferences). The council would be the final voice on shared-governance rule-making decisions.

The steering committee suggests creating three bodies that would assist the council in its work and comprise the "working level" of Division I: an academics-focused group, a championships-focused group and a legislative group. Council members would determine implementation details, including what other groups are needed, how the groups will be populated and reporting lines. The steering committee also emphasized the need for a nomination process that is competency-based and diverse.

In order to allow the five highest-resource conferences (the Atlantic Coast Conference, Big 12 Conference, Big Ten Conference, Pac-12 Conference and Southeastern Conference) to address their unique challenges, the model would grant them autonomy to make rules on specific matters affecting the interests of student-athletes.

The university presidents who serve on the steering committee continue to seek more clarity and specificity about these proposed areas of autonomy. While retaining the concepts that were included in the "actionable" category, the board decided that the process it had identified as "actionable" - requiring the conferences other than the highest-profile five to take a separate vote — would not be included in the proposal.

The steering committee is seeking more feedback on the how the remaining 27 conferences would want to apply decisions made by the 65 schools in the five highest-profile conferences.

Areas in which the membership generally agrees on autonomy for the five conferences include:

- financial aid, including full cost of attendance and scholarship guarantees;
- insurance, including policies that protect future earnings;

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- academic support, particularly for at-risk student-athletes; and
- other support, such as travel for families, free tickets to athletics events, and expenses associated with practice and competition (such as parking).

The steering committee continues to discuss other areas that could be included in the areas of autonomy, including the creation of mandatory time away from athletics for student-athletes; eliminating rules that prohibit student-athletes from pursuing careers outside of athletics while still competing (for example, making music and art or writing a book); recruiting; transfer issues; and athletics department personnel.

The board will seek feedback on some questions raised by members of governance bodies in recent days, including: the process by which items decided by the full division could become part of the list of autonomous areas; the voting, interpretation and enforcement processes within the five highest-profile conferences; and the core structure that separates not only the five highest-profile conferences into their own group but also continues a separation of the next five conferences (the American Athletic Conference, Conference-USA, Mid-American Conference, Mountain West Conference and Sun Belt Conference) from the remaining 22.

The steering committee will seek broad membership feedback over the summer. More information about how to submit feedback will be distributed to members in the coming days. Feedback will be released to the membership at the conclusion of the comment period, expected to be in late June.

The board will vote on final recommendations in August. As part of Thursday's action, the board members resolved to begin the transition to the new governance structure by fall 2014, with a new council and board beginning their terms at the 2015 NCAA Convention. In order to make the transition as smooth as possible, current councils and cabinets will be maintained through January 2015.

In other business, the board adopted a change to waiver policy for transfer student-athletes, which was recommended last week by the Leadership Council. Qualifying student-athletes who cannot transfer and play immediately without a waiver will be allowed a sixth year to complete their four years of eligibility.

The change primarily impacts student-athletes who play baseball, basketball, bowl subdivision football and men's ice hockey, as well as those in other sports who already transferred once. These student-athletes would no longer be able to seek a waiver to transfer and compete immediately.

Also, at the close of Thursday's meeting, all new rules adopted by the Legislative Council, including a rule lifting restrictions on feeding student-athletes, became final.

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE EXAMINES CONFEDERATE FLAG POLICY**

During its April 24 meeting, the NCAA Executive Committee asked the Division I Championships Cabinet to develop recommendations that would allow Division I championships to create new postseason formats while maintaining the strength of the NCAA's Confederate battle flag policy.

The NCAA's Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee had requested that the Executive Committee examine its confederate battle flag policy in the context of proposed changes to the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Championship. Earlier this year, the Division I Women's Basketball Championship Committee voted to switch back to a format next year that will grant home games to the tournament's highest-seeded programs in an effort to increase interest and visibility in the event. That change could result in Women's Basketball games being scheduled on the home courts of universities that are subject to the current policy.

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# **COMPLIANCE QUIZ**

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- 1. An individual become RECRUITED prospective student-athlete when a coach initiates a telephone call with the prospective student-athlete or the prospective student-athlete's parent or guardian on more than one occasion for the purpose of recruitment.
  - a. True.
  - b. False.
- 2. Coach Kemper's best friend is the director of athletics at a local high school (which Coach Kemper did not attend). The friend asked Coach Kemper to donate an autographed clipboard to be auctioned in an upcoming fundraiser for the high school. Coach Kemper can donate the item for the high school fundraiser.
  - a. True.
  - b. False.

# **Telephone Reminder**

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## All Sports (except Football and Basketball)

• Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> at the completion of the junior year – **One Call Per Week** 

## <u>Football</u>

• Beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> of the senior year – **One Call Per Week** 

## Men's Basketball

• Beginning June 15<sup>th</sup> at the completion of the sophomore year – **Unlimited Phone Calls** 

## Women's Basketball

• Beginning September 1<sup>st</sup> at the beginning of the junior year – **Unlimited Phone Calls** 

# **Compliance Website/Social Media**

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- Compliance Website <a href="http://www.wsucougars.com/compliance">http://www.wsucougars.com/compliance</a>
- Compliance Facebook <a href="http://www.facebook.com/WSUCompliance">http://www.facebook.com/WSUCompliance</a>
  - Compliance Twitter <a href="http://twitter.com/WSUCompliance">http://twitter.com/WSUCompliance</a>

# **Compliance Quiz Answers**

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#### Answers to Compliance Quiz:

A) True. 13.02.13.1-(c)
B) False. 13.15.1.2

