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NCAA GOVERNANCE

2.1 NCAA Governance Issues. The Mountain West Conference shall adhere to the following principles related to the NCAA Division I Board of Directors, Division I Leadership Council, Division I Legislative Council, Division I Cabinets and NCAA Association-Wide committees. Diversity shall be considered when selecting persons to nominate for NCAA positions.

2.1.1 Division I Board of Directors. The Mountain West Conference chief executive officers will select the Conference representative to the Division I Board of Directors.

2.1.2 Division I Leadership and Legislative Councils. The Mountain West Conference Joint Council Executive Committee, in consultation with the Commissioner shall recommend to the Joint Council the Conference Leadership and Legislative Council representatives. (Revised May 2008)

2.1.3 Division I Cabinets, Sport Committees and NCAA Association-Wide Committees. The Mountain West Conference Joint Council Executive Committee, in consultation with the Commissioner, shall recommend to the Joint Council, the Conference representatives to the Division I cabinets and Division I sport committees. The Joint Council Executive Committee shall recommend members of the Joint Council, Conference Staff, or qualified institutional staff members. Mountain West Conference coaches and athletics department staff members shall be considered for vacancies on NCAA sport committees. (Revised June 2002 and May 2008)

2.1.4 Voting. Each institution shall determine a process to review and arrive at a position on NCAA legislation. Thereafter, each institution's president shall submit to the Conference office, by a specified date, its position on legislation to be considered by the Division I Legislative Council. A majority vote of the institutions shall determine the Conference voting position by the Legislative Council representative. In the case of a tie, the Commissioner shall cast the deciding vote. (Revised April 2006 and May 2008)

2.1.5 Communication. Mountain West Conference representatives to NCAA governance councils and cabinets shall meet by conference call on a quarterly basis to communicate to one another the issues being discussed in the respective councils and cabinets. (Adopted May 2008)

2.2 Legislative Review Process. The Conference shall review NCAA legislative proposals and Division I Leadership Council, Legislative Council and Board of Directors material as follows:

- a. Each institution's faculty athletics representative shall communicate with institutional personnel on NCAA legislative issues. (Revised April 2006)
- b. The Conference office shall inform each institution's faculty athletics representative of NCAA legislative mailings and, when necessary, forward NCAA legislative packages to the faculty athletics representative. (Revised April 2006)
- c. A series of conference calls shall be conducted to review NCAA legislative proposals prior to the NCAA Management Council and Board of Directors meetings. (Adopted April 2006)
- d. Prior to each Division I Legislative Council/Board of Directors meeting, the Conference office shall provide the faculty athletics representative with electronic vote/comment forms to submit the institution's position on legislative items or Legislative Council/Board of Directors agenda items. (Revised April 2006 and May 2008)

- e. The faculty athletics representative shall review the legislative material and Division I Legislative Council/Board of Directors material with the appropriate individuals on campus (e.g., President, Director of Athletics, Senior Woman Administrator, compliance coordinator, coaches, etc). (Revised April 2006 and May 2008)
- f. Each institution shall submit electronically its votes and comments to the Conference office by specified dates. The Conference office staff shall compile the information and forward it to Legislative Council and Board of Directors representatives. (Revised April 2006 and May 2008)
- g. In the event of close votes on certain legislative proposals/issues, a conference call shall be conducted to discuss the proposals/issues.

2.3 Mountain Pacific Sports Federation. The Mountain West Conference Joint Council Executive Committee, in consultation with the Commissioner, shall recommend to the Joint Council the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation representative. The representative may be a member of the Joint Council or a representative from an institution that participates in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation. The costs associated with participation in Mountain Pacific Sports Federation meetings shall be incurred by the institution of the representative. Diversity shall be considered when making the selections. The term shall be for one year and representatives may be re-appointed. (Revised April 2002 and April 2004).