

# Council on Intercollegiate Athletics (CIA)

☐ Agenda

☒ Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Wednesday, September 14, 2022

**Time & Location:** Meeting called to order at 12:00pm via zoom conference

**Video Link (If online):**

**Present:** Beth Wilson, Charlie \_\_\_\_\_, Tom Cody, Brian Stone, Abigail Carlin

**Not Present:**

## I. Review Items from Past Meetings:

1. (Nothing recorded)

## II. Scheduled Meeting Items:

2. Introduction of **new members**
3. Review of **last year's report** and key issues that are carried over into this year.
  - a. **Transfer portal** changes in NCAA Rules: Impact on student course attendance and ability to progress in college.
  - b. Changes in student-athlete ability to receive **compensation** for commercial-type work in the public marketplace.
4. Review and **voting of all Fall sport scheduled dates of travel** and games. Specifically dates where classes will be missed, due to travel.
  - a. All schedules were voted on and, in the end, approved. The key sports that had additional issues with missed classes were volleyball and golf, due to their tournament lengths and time of the week.
5. Review of **request by Faculty Senate** to address the Transfer Portal in the impacts on athlete academics and related areas.

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I. Conference / NCAA Championships

II. Discussion of Fall '21 Missed Class Schedules

<b>Sport</b>	<b>M/W/F Missed</b>	<b>Tues/Thurs Missed</b>
M/W Track & Field	No dates Yet	No dates Yet
M/W Cross Country	3	1
M Golf	5	4
W Golf	2	2
M Basketball	2	1
W Basketball	4	3
Tennis	3	0

Baseball	No dates	No dates
Softball	No dates	No dates
Football	5	1
M Soccer	3	3
W Soccer	3	0
Volleyball	12	6

**6. Choose new chair**

1. Brian Stone Nominated
2. Unanimously approved by committee

**5. Meeting adjourned with agreement to approve anything additional via email.**

### **III. Looking Ahead + Action Items:**

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Attached Email as a part of the meeting discussion:

August 1, 2021

Dear Athletic Council,

Our program strives to stay within the missed class policy that WIU has set, as it is our goal to keep our student-athletes in class as much as possible. In recent years Volleyball has set high standards for our student athletes.

The Summit League has recently adopted a new volleyball schedule with us playing conference matches on Tuesday, Thursdays and Saturdays to ensure a true off day for the student athletes. Having Sundays off with no athletic commitments will help our student athletes' mental health as well as give them a full day to prepare for academics. Conversely, due to travel this will cause our student athletes to miss 4 more days of school than in previous Fall competition.

Due to the increase in missed class for the new conference schedule we have intentionally scheduled regional teams for non-conference to make sure we aren't having to miss more. During our non-conference schedule volleyball plays tournaments on Fridays and Saturdays. We are leaving after all classes are complete on 3 out of 4 of these Thursdays to make sure we are not missing additional classes.

Our recent academic achievements have shown the student athletes are succeeding in the classroom. When I took over the Program in Fall of 18 we achieved a GPA of 3.213. In Fall of 20 the team achieved one of our best Gpa's in program history with a 3.719. We were also recognized by The American Volleyball Association with the USMC/AVCA academic team award for having a team GPA of 3.559 for the 20-21 Academic school year. We maintain this by having

study tables on the road and enforcing mandatory study tables and tutoring if an athlete receives an early warning grade or drops below a 3.2 GPA.

We will miss a total of 18 dates of class, with 12 of them being MWF and 6 TTH. Our volleyball student-athletes are set up for success and have been following through with that goal over the last 6 semesters. We will continue our study tables on the road and continue to stress high academic achievement in the classroom.

Sincerely,

Ben Staupe  
Head Volleyball Coach

**Other Reviewed items during meeting conversation (Schedules and signatures)**



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