



Voting Results of the 2004 NCC Spring Meeting on May 18, 2004  
and Special Meeting held June 18, 2004

Proposal No. 1 – **Soccer**: NCC Bylaw 24.11 – Travel Squad Size:

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**For NCC competition, NCC soccer teams are allowed to travel 24 and dress 22.** (This was passed by the coaches 6-0).

The current NCC Bylaw: The travel party for conference regular-season matches shall include no more than 24 rostered players, but only 18 may dress for a particular match.

Rationale: The number of 22 is consistent with what teams can dress for the NCAA Championship and the NCC Championship.

Proposal No. 2 – **Soccer**: NCC Bylaw 24.12- NCC Championship

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**That the NCC tournament be a seven-team tournament and that the number one seed host and receive a first-round bye. The other first-round games would be played at the higher seeds and the winners would advance to the final four at the number-one seed's site. The first round games should be played on the Sunday after the last weekend of conference play.** (This was passed by the coaches 6-0 during their meeting last fall before the coaches voted for double-round robin regular season schedule with no conference tournament beginning in 2005).

**Changes to current NCC Bylaw 24.12: (c) To expand the NCC Championship Soccer Tournament from four to seven teams in 2004. The first round will be played Sunday, October 31, 2004, with the #2 seed hosting the #7 seed, #3 seed hosting the #6 seed, and #4 seed hosting the #5 seed. The #1 seed receives a first round bye and hosts the final four on Friday, November 5, 2004 and Saturday, November 6, 2004. Passed: 7-0**

Rationale: Last fall, the soccer coaches felt that by expanding the bracket every team would have an additional game and with more parity in the league that having all teams at the tournament would be good for soccer. The coaches also felt it would be good for the sport to have a season ending tournament that all teams were eligible for.

Proposal No. 3 – **Soccer**: NCC Bylaw 24.2- Schedule and 24.11 NCC Championship

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**To develop a double round-robin schedule for the 2005 season with no conference tournament.** (Passed 5-2 by the coaches)

Proposed change to current NCC Bylaw: b. Conference members shall play a ~~single~~ *double*-round robin schedule rotating home and away sites *and no conference tournament.*

and Eliminate all of 24.11

Rationale: Coaches felt that scheduling is difficult, other conferences are playing double-round which makes it more difficult to find matches.

Proposal No.4 – **Volleyball**: Schedule

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**With mutual consent, coaches may move their lone match weekend, to the week prior to the weekend competition.** (Passed 7-0 by the coaches)

Proposal No. 5 – **Volleyball**: Pre-match Warm-ups

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**90 minutes prior to the match start the court will be available for 15 minutes for the home team to practice, the second 15 minutes for the visiting team to practice. 60 minutes prior to the start of the match the two teams may begin match warm-up. This is NOT a closed practice and therefore the visiting team may be present during the home team's 15 min. practice to stretch.** (Passed 7-0 by the coaches)  
(Note that practice may still occur during the day, if facility is available.)

Proposal No. 6 – **Volleyball** – Travel Squad Size

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**To dress 15 with a travel squad of 20.** (Passed 7-0 by the coaches)  
(Note: This policy is consistent with the NCAA championships policy)

Proposal No. 7 – **Softball** – Conference Tournament Rotation

**Passed**  
**5/18/04**

**To have the following rotation for hosting the NCC Softball Championship, 05 USD, 06 UND, 07 AC, 08 UMD, 09 UNO.** (Passed 6-0 by the coaches)

Proposal No. 8 – **Softball** – Game times

**Passed**  
**5/18/04**

**That games start no later then 1:00 on Friday and no earlier then noon on Saturday.**  
(Passed 6-0 by the coaches)

Proposal No. 9 – **Softball** – Stats

**Passed**  
**5/18/04**

**To eliminate NCC Bylaw 25.13 which would eliminate the weekly press releases sent to each conference school.**  
(Passed 6-0 by the coaches)

Rationale is that with the internet this information is available online and elimination of additional press releases would be a cost savings.

Proposal No. 10 – **Softball** – Playing rules

**Passed**  
**5/18/04**

**To add to NCC Bylaw 25.7 b, that metal poles are no longer to be used for the temporary outfield fences.** (Passed 6-0 by the coaches)

Proposal No. 11 – **Women’s Basketball** – Coaches Meeting

**Passed**  
**5/18/04**

**For next year’s women’s basketball coaches meeting to be held by telephone conference call at 10 a.m. on Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004.**  
(Passed by the coaches)

Proposal No. 12 – **Men’s Basketball**: Coaches Meeting

**Passed**  
**5/18/04**

**For next year’s men’s basketball coaches meeting to be held by telephone conference call at 1 p.m. on Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2004.**  
(Passed by the coaches)

Proposal No. 13 – **Men’s Basketball**: WFF

**Not Moved**

**To keep first round games of the Wells Fargo Finals on Tuesday.** (Passed by the coaches)

Proposal No. 14 – **Baseball** – Total number of games

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To modify NCC Bylaw 19.2 to read “Conference teams shall be allowed to play 56 games in the spring. (Passed by the coaches)**

Rationale: Current NCC policy allows teams to play 6 fall games however most teams do not play these in the fall games and feel with spring trips they could pick up the additional six games at little cost.

Proposal No. 15 **Baseball** – 2005 Schedule

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To adopt the attached 6-team baseball schedule for the 2005-06 seasons. (Passed by the coaches)**

Proposal No. 16 **Baseball** – Schedule

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**To eliminate Article 19.12 a and 19.12.b and allow teams to travel with 24 rostered players for all NCC games including NCC Baseball Championship games (22 if air travel is ever involved) (Passed by the coaches)**

Proposal No. 17 **Baseball** – Additional Rain Policy

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To add the following rain policy to the current NCC policy for those games played on Friday and Sunday. (Passed by the coaches)**

1. If travel has occurred teams are required to stay on night to attempt to play the games.
2. If no travel has occurred and the games on Friday and Saturday are rained out then the Sunday game will be played as scheduled and the scheduled Friday game will be played Monday or Tuesday.
3. If no travel has occurred and games are rained out Friday, Saturday and Sunday and no games are played then games will be played in the same order on Monday and Tuesday.
4. If no travel has occurred for Friday games and a team travels Saturday but is rained out then the team must stay one night and the Sunday game would be moved to Monday or Tuesday.
5. All games must be rescheduled by Tuesday. If travel occurs for a Tuesday game and it is rained out then the traveling team must stay one night, but the game must be completed by Wednesday. If no travel has occurred and the games are not played by Tuesday they are lost.

Proposal No. 18 – **Men’s and Women’s Cross Country and Track & Field: 2004-05 NCC Championships.**

**Passed  
5/18/04**

(Passed by the coaches)

**To approve the following 2004-2005 NCC Championship dates and sites:**

**Cross Country – at MSU, October 16, 2004**

**Indoor Track & Field – at USD, Feb. 25-26, 2005**

**Multi-Events – at UND, May 2-3, 2005**

**Outdoor Track & Field – at UNO, May 13-14, 2005**

Proposal No. 19 – **Men’s and Women’s Track & Field – Championship rotation**

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To begin a north-south rotation for the NCC Cross Country and the NCC Outdoor Track and Field Championships. The institutions in the north would be UND, UMD, SCSU. The institutions in the south would be UNO, USD, AC, MSU. Also, the NCC Indoor Track & Field Championships shall rotate between USD and MSU. (Passed by the coaches)**

Proposal No. 20 – **Men’s and Women’s Track and Field – Championship hosting**

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To permit NCC member institutions to host the NCC Cross Country, NCC Indoor Track & Field Championships and the NCC Outdoor Track & Field Championships outside of their local communities in order to secure the proper facilities. (Passed by the coaches)**

Proposal No. 21- **Men’s and Women’s Track and Field – Entry Times**

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To establish that only marks made when representing the institution can be used to submit times. (Passed by the coaches)**

Proposal No. 22 - **Men’s and Women’s Track and Field – Conference list**

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To pay an SDSU staff member a \$100.00 fee for maintaining the conference list. (Passed by the coaches)**

Proposal No. 23 - **Men's and Women's Track and Field** – Indoor Schedule

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To accept the attached NCC Indoor Championships schedule, which includes the DMR.** (Passed by the coaches)

Proposal No. 24 - **Men's and Women's Track and Field** – Mile Heat Size

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To establish that if there are 15 student-athletes in the Mile to run a one heat final. If there are 16 or more student-athletes, then two heats will be run with the 10 best times in a heat and the remainder in another heat. The slow heat will run first and the fast heat second.** (Passed by the coaches)

Proposal No. 25 – **Men's and Women's Swimming** – 2005 Championship

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**For the 2005 NCC Swimming and Diving Championships to be held at Nebraska-Omaha in a six lane pool. To switch the proposed men's and women's diving times in order to accommodate the four-day Championships.** Passed 3-2 by coaches (no by UND and SCSU)

Proposal No. 26 - **Men's and Women's Swimming** – Team Seating

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**That team seating for the NCC Championships shall use the same formula as the NCAA Championships Handbook. (seating based on previous years finish at the championship)** Passed 3-2 (no by USD and MSU)  
(seating diagram will be distributed and voted on after site is determined)

Proposal No. 27 - **Men's and Women's Swimming** – Heats for six lane pool

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**When the NCC Swimming & Diving Championships are held in a six-lane pool there shall be three heats of finals and score 18 student-athletes according to NCAA rules.** Passed 3-2 (no by USD and MSU)

Proposal No. 28 – **Men's and Women's Tennis** – 2005 Schedule

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To flip-flop home and away contests from the 2004 schedule inserting Minnesota-Duluth into the spot occupied by South Dakota State and make adjustments so that St. Cloud State and Minnesota Duluth are on the same trip.** (Passed by coaches)

Proposal No. 29 - **Men's and Women's Tennis** – Hosting for future Championships

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To establish a rotation for hosting the NCC Men's & Women's Tennis Championships. If you are unable to host in your assigned year for any reason you lose your spot and go to the back of the rotation and the hosting opportunity goes to the next school. Teams must commit to hosting one year prior to their assigned year. If other schools are added to the league they would be inserted into the rotation after Minnesota Duluth. Rotation is 05 SCSU, 06 MSU, 07 UND, 08 USD, 09 AC, 10 UMD, 11 UNO. (Passed by the coaches)**

Proposal No. 30 – **Athletic Training** – Physicians Coverage

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**In regards to physician coverage:  
To amend bylaw NCC Bylaw 32.3 a 3 from "near by or available" to "access"  
(Passed by the athletic trainers)**

Proposal No. 31 – **Athletic Training** – Hardship Deadline

**Passed  
5/18/04**

**To include the deadline dates for Medical Hardships in the NCC athletic training bylaws. (Passed by the athletic trainers)**

Proposal No. 33 – **Softball** – Roster size

**Passed  
6/18/04**

**For NCC competition, NCC softball teams are allowed to have 20 on roster.  
(This was passed by the coaches).**

Additional Proposals from NCC Institutional Representatives:

Proposal No. 32: **Men's & Women's Swimming & Diving**: Reimbursement for Team Travel to NCC Swimming Championships:

**Moot  
following  
discussion  
during June  
18 telephone  
conference**

Because NCC Swimming Championships have remained at UND due to its facility, some NCC teams have had to cover larger travel expenses every year. Other NCC Championships tend to rotate between north and south locations, which, over time, evens out travel expenses for all teams. The NCC office is asked to develop a plan for possible reimbursement for team travel to swimming championship site. In addition further study shall be made of rotating the site of the NCC Swimming and Diving Championships.

**Passed  
5/18/04**

Proposal No. 34 – Proposed NCAA Legislative changes:

The NCC shall sponsor the following NCAA Legislative proposals for the 2005 NCAA Convention:

**21.7.7.1 Selection, Composition and Duties:**

**21.7.7.1.1.2 Unexpired Portion of Term.** Members appointed to fill vacancies shall be appointed ~~only for the unexpired portion of that term.. Members who serve more than one half of a term in such instances shall be considered to have served a full term.~~ *to a four-year term regardless of the number of years remaining on the unfulfilled term.* (Adopted: 1/13/98)

**Rationale:** The current policy results in some committee replacements serving nearly 6 years and others that are required to leave the committee after less than two years based only on whether the replacement was selected before or after midpoint of unfulfilled term. Division II sports will be served better if all individuals are able to serve four year terms. This is long enough to establish continuity and still not so long as to prevent healthy turnover. Of course, openings on sports committees are available to individuals from an entire region. The replacement may be from the same conference or may not be. Either way, the replacement should be permitted to remain on the committee for four years.

**13.6.3 Transportation on Unofficial Visit** During any unofficial recruiting visit, the institution may provide the prospect with transportation only to view off-campus practice and competition sites in the prospect's sport and other institutional facilities ~~(located within a 30 mile radius of the institution's campus).~~ An institutional staff member must accompany the prospect during such a trip. Payment of any other transportation expenses, including providing transportation to attend one of the institution's home contests (on or off campus), is not permissible... (Revised: 1/11/89, 1/11/00)

**Rationale:** This is consistent with removal of similar mileage restrictions in other Division II bylaws the past few years. It is consistent with the Division's goal of deregulation and was just missed in earlier revisions of the bylaws.

**14.2.4 Criteria for Determining Season of Eligibility**

**14.2.4.1 Minimum Amount of Competition.** Any competition ~~including~~ *excluding* a scrimmage or permissible exhibition contest with outside competition ~~(except for including~~ approved two-year college scrimmages per Bylaw 14.2.4.1.1), regardless of time, during a season in an intercollegiate sport shall be counted as a season of competition in that sport. This provision is applicable to intercollegiate athletics competition conducted by a two-year or four-year collegiate institution at the varsity or subvarsity level. (Revised 1/11/94)

**Rationale:** Student-athletes should be permitted the opportunity to compete in permissible scrimmages and/or exhibition contests with outside competition without losing a year of eligibility. These contests are not official and are irrelevant for regular-season, conference or national championship competition.

**If the proceeding proposal is passed, then the following proposal would be mute.  
If the proceeding proposal is defeated, then...**

**14.2.4.2 Exception-Men's and Women's Basketball**

*A student-athlete may compete in practice scrimmage(s) and/or a exhibition contest(s) with outside competition as permitted in NCAA Bylaws 17.5.3.1 (a) and 17.5.3.1 (d) without using a season of competition.*

**Rationale:** Men's and women's basketball student-athletes should be permitted the opportunity to compete in permissible scrimmages and/or exhibition contests with outside competition without losing a year of eligibility. These contests are not official and are irrelevant for regular-season, conference or national championship competition.

