#### Notes of the Presidential Committee on Athletics

## Big Ten Iowa Room, CHA

#### February 29, 2024

*Members Present:* Binns, Charlton, Foley Nicpon, Grosland, Hand, Hanley, Lee, Pierce,

Raiber, Reisinger, Torner, Vogan, Voss, Weinstein.

*Members Absent:* Cavey Lang, Hollingworth, Moran, Pettys.

Also Present: Clerry (Senior Associate AD), Etsey (Associate AD), Goetz (Athletics

Director), Hansen (Vice President for Student Life), Henderson (Deputy AD), Hilleman (Senior Associate AD), Holston (Assistant AD), Lehnertz (Senior Vice President for Finance and Operations), Modestou (Director of Equal Employment Opportunity, Affirmative Action and Compliance), Schroeder (ISAAC Representative), Simcox (Associate AD), Tovar (Senior Associate AD/Associate VP of Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion), Weitzel (Associate AD), Wilson (Executive Senior Associate AD).

Guests Present: Tyler Barnes (Director of Recruiting, Football), Andy Banse (Associate

Athletics Director, Compliance)

Chair Torner called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

## I. Approval of the February 1, 2024, PCA Minutes

Reisinger moved to approve the February 1, 2024, minutes; Foley-Nicpon seconded the motion. Unanimous approval was recorded from the Committee.

## II. <u>Director of Recruiting, Football – Tyler Barnes</u>

Barnes began by noting his path to Iowa as a student and later the director of recruiting with the football program.

Barnes presented on the enclosed slide deck, elaborating on the important elements that Iowa Football is focusing on while recruiting student-athletes to their program.

Questions were received and answered on data services, the transfer portal, and recruiting at the junior college level.

## III. <u>Transfer Portal – Andy Banse</u>

Banse discussed his path to his current role as the Associate Athletics Director for Compliance. Banse competed as a track and field student-athlete at Iowa and returned in August 2023 for his current position.

Banse continued presenting from the enclosed slidedeck, providing further information and data on the transfer portal.

## IV. Announcements – Chair Torner

Chair Torner reported:

- **A.** 415 student-athletes qualified for the PCA Medallions. The recognition took place at the men's basketball game on February 17.
- **B.** 15 field hockey student-athletes were named to the 2023 National Field Hockey Association Division I National Academic Team.
- *C.* The April PCA Meeting has been moved to April 11.
- **D.** The May PCA Meeting has been moved to May 9.

## V. <u>Subcommittee Reports</u>

### A. Academic Achievement – Hand

The Subcommittee met with Liz Tovar last week. Tovar presented on academic majors student-athletes are enrolling in, noting clustering around sport and recreation and enterprise leadership.

The Subcommittee also discussed bachelor requirements for assistant coaching positions. Suzanne Hilleman provided updated policy language to the committee emphasizing certain circumstances where coaches may have equivalent experience. Big Ten peers that are consistent with this updated policy include Northwestern and Michigan.

#### B. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Foley Nicpon

The DEI Subcommittee met with student-athletes on February 5 and received feedback that was shared with Lorenda. Student-athletes are interested in speaking with ISAAC members at UNI and ISU regarding DEI initiatives.

## C. Student-Athlete Well-Being – Reisinger

The Subcommittee met with ISAAC last night. Topics discussed include parking, academic tutors, mental health resources, priority registration, and athletics gear. The Subcommittee will follow up with the athletics administration on any concerns brought forward.

# VI. <u>ISAAC Report – ISAAC Representative, Schroeder</u>

Schroeder reported on the following upcoming events:

- A. Sports Wagering Education April 1.
- **B.** ISAAC Day of Caring April 21.
- *C.* Golden Herkys April 29.

### VII. NCAA Report / Athletics Director's Report – Goetz

Goetz reported on the following items:

## **A.** Sports Report:

- i. Currently in championship season for winter sports (swimming & Diving, track & field, women's basketball, men's basketball, wrestling, and gymnastics).
- ii. Women's wrestling is heading to Nationals in Cedar Rapids next weekend.
- iii. Spring sports are underway and starting Big Ten competition shortly.
- iv. Women's tennis beat Iowa State last week to secure the Cy-Hawk trophy.
- **B.** Dr. Leonard Moore returned to campus to speak to staff and student-athletes on cultural intelligence.

## *C.* NCAA/Big Ten:

i. Finalized the 12-team format for the CFP Championship.

- ii. With the Tennessee Injunction on Friday, the NCAA cannot enforce any restrictions around third-party engagement before a student-athletes enrollment.
- iii. Currently focusing on student-athlete employment cases.
- iv. Legislative efforts continue.

# VIII. Adjourn

- **A.** Chair Torner thanked Barnes and Banse for their presentations to the Committee.
- **B.** The next meeting is on April 11 at 4 p.m.
- *C.* The meeting concluded at 4:51 p.m.

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**Recording Secretary** 



# **IAFB RECRUITING**

- •WHAT are we looking for in a prospect?
- WHERE are we looking for those prospects?



# WHAT are we looking for...

# CRITICAL FACTORS for ALL POSITIONS

- Hard Working? Humble? Selfless?
- Is he a multi-sport athlete?
- Is he a leader for his HS Team? Captain?
- Is he football smart? High football IQ?
- Is he both mentally and physically tough?
- Can he thrive in our environment & culture?
- Hyper-Competitive?

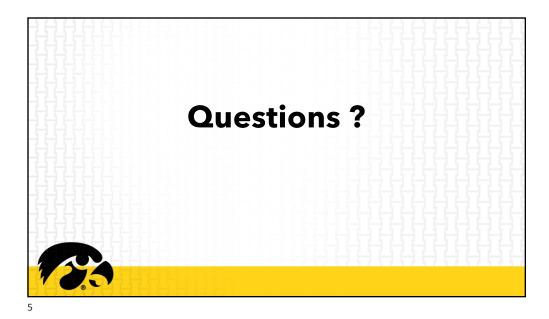
# CRITICAL FACTORS for ALL POSITIONS

- Exceptional Work Ethic?
- Accountable, Trustworthy?
- Detail Oriented, Goal Oriented, Motivated?
- · Does he love Football?
- · Respected by others in his High School?
- · Academic Qualifier?
- · No Red Flags on Social Media



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# **Transfer Rule Changes**

October 2018

Permission to Contact replaced by Notification of Transfer

- Remove barrier for student-athletes
- Transparency
- Change recruiting environment



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# **Transfer Rule Changes**

August 2020

Change to one-time transfer exception

Accessible to all sports

Enrollment requirements aligned with continuing undergrads



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# **Transfer Rule Changes**

August 2022

Transfer Windows implemented

October 2023

Transfer Window length modified



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# Other Factors Impacting National Transfer Environment

**COVID-19 Pandemic** 

 Waivers granting additional eligibility saturates Portal with students

Litigation - Ohio v NCAA - Fall 2023

Preliminary injunction - enjoined enforcement of transfer residence requirement



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# **National Transfer Trends**

2020-21 2021-22



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# **Transfer Portal Volume**

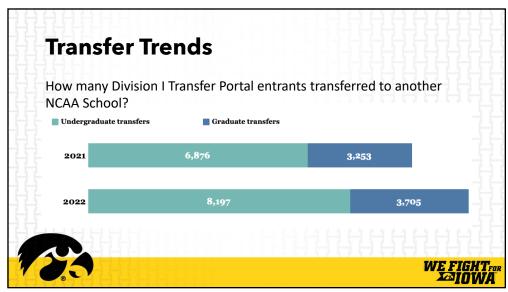
Approximately how many Division I students entered the NCAA Transfer Portal?

**2020-21 -** 18,000

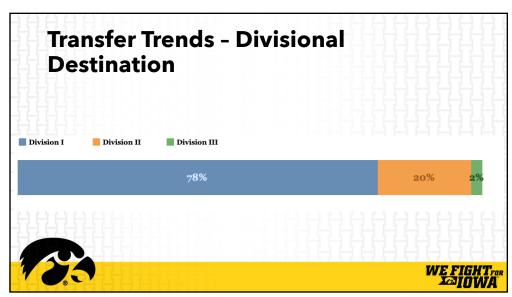
**2021-22 –** 21,000

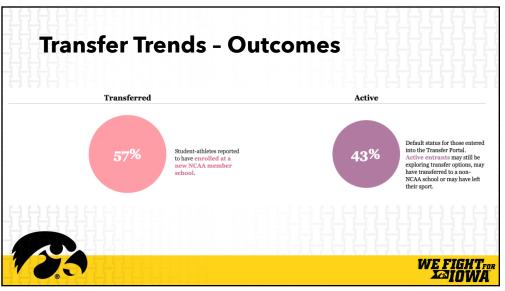


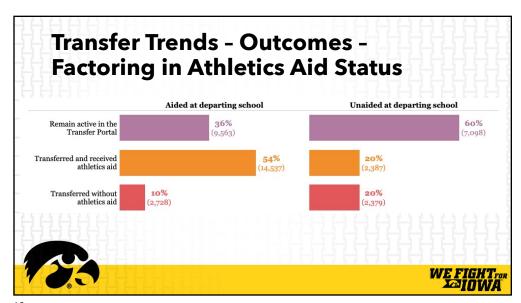
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# **The Future of Transfers**

NCAA Board of Directors directive - normalize transfer space

Outcomes of transfers generally negative

- Acknowledgement that transferring leads to loss of credit
- Transfer late in career creates larger hurdles for conferral of degree

Develop proposals to address lack of residence requirement



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# **Questions?**



