



# Committee on Athletics

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Board Room, Blow Hall

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# Agenda

## William & Mary Athletics

- NCAA Governance
  - Override
- Zable Renovation
- Fall Sports Update
- Events





# NCAA Governance/Override



**Who:** Granted to the “big five” conferences – ACC, Big 12, Big Ten, Pac-12, and the SEC along with their 65 member institutions. Other NCAA Division I institutions and conferences will have the ability to apply autonomous legislation adopted by the Big Five at the discretion of each conference.

**What:** *Autonomous legislation* - this decision-making power gives the big five conferences the authority to enact NCAA legislation that “allows permissive use of resources or to otherwise enhance the well-being of student-athletes by any member, to advance the legitimate educational or athletics-related needs of student-athletes.” There are eleven areas that are defined to be under the “autonomous decision-making” umbrella for the Big Five conferences and their member institutions:

1. Health and Wellness: adjust current health care, medical policies, insurance options and other related items as needed to permit appropriate care to be provided to student-athletes.
2. Meals and Nutrition: address the specific needs of their student-athletes as nutritional demands for vary by sport, timing of the playing season and individual needs.
3. Financial Aid: increase maximum grant-in-aid (up to full cost of attendance), provide aid for former student-athletes to complete their degree, adjust rules related to awarding aid (e.g., eligibility for aid, period of award, reduction or cancellation, renewals or non-renewals).
4. Expenses & Benefits – Student-Athlete Support: rules related to awards and benefits, e.g. for receipt of awards, complimentary admissions, postseason travel for friends/ family, expenses incidental to practice (e.g., parking), expenses associated with the competitive experience.
5. Expenses & Benefits – Pre-Enrollment Support: permitting a) financial assistance to families for legitimate expenses incurred in the recruiting process, e.g. visiting universities; b) support during the summer prior to enrollment for academics, medical expenses, and transportation to enroll.





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6. Insurance and Career Transition - flexibility in securing loans to purchase career-related insurance (e.g., loss-of-value insurance) including allowing institutions to provide insurance-related expenses; adjusting agents and advisors legislation so that more decision-making assistance could be provided to student-athletes.
7. Career Pursuits - make changes to rules that hinder a student-athlete's career pursuits unrelated to athletics (e.g., restrictions on a student-athlete promoting his or her musical career).
8. Time Demands - permit a more appropriate balance between athletics and other activities; reconstruct the time boundaries; implement "athletic dead periods" to foster participation in other educational opportunities.
9. Academic Support - needs of academically at-risk student-athletes will be fully reviewed, with the potential for revisions to further the educational achievement of student-athletes.
10. Recruiting – review infringement of recruiting activities on prospective student-athletes' academic preparation.
11. Personnel - revise existing personnel definitions and limits to support needs of teams while structuring the number of personnel associated with each sport in a manner consistent with competitive balance.

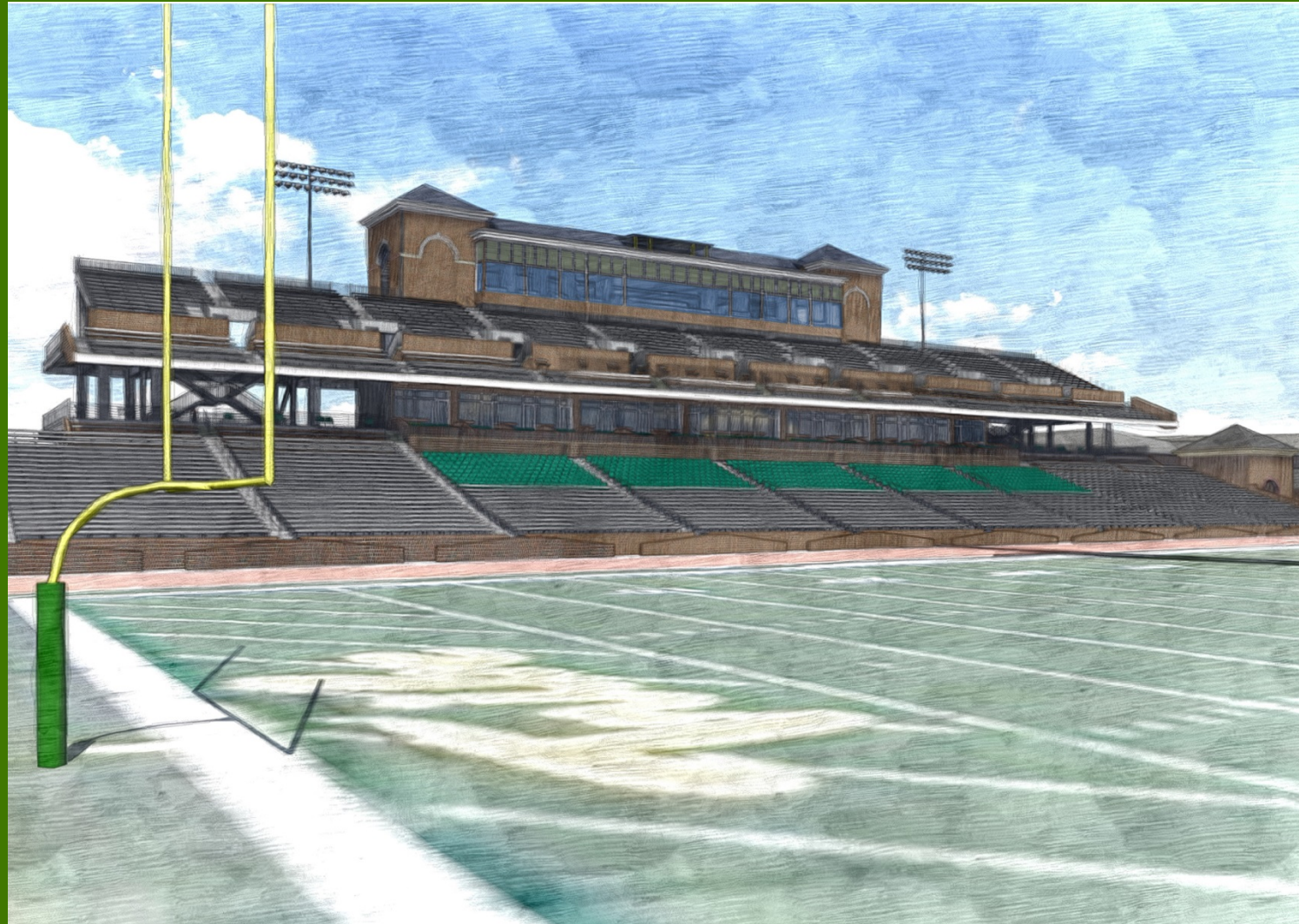
**How:** this new autonomous legislation would be passed in one of 2 ways: 1. By a 60 % majority of the 65 institutions + 15 student-athletes (48 total votes); or 2. By a simple majority of four of the five conferences (41 total votes).



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# Zable Renovation

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# Fall Sports Update

- Football
- Men's Soccer
- Men's Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Women's Soccer
- Volleyball
- Women's Cross Country





# *Special Events*

- A. ITA Hall of Fame, Saturday, November 15 @ 6:00 PM
- B. Lord Botetourt Auction, Friday, February 6, 2015 @ 6:30 PM
- C. Celebration of Women's Athletics,  
Saturday, February 7, 2015 @ 12:30 PM
- D. Athletic Hall of Fame, Saturday, April 11, 2015 @ 6:30 PM
- E. Athletic Awards Reception, Tuesday, April 28, 2015

