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NAIA 2026 NATIONAL CONVENTION

2026 Legislative Proposals

NAIA Bylaws				
Proposal	***Bylaw***	***Topic***	***Sponsor***	***Description***
26-B-01	I.H.1, I.H.2, I.H.5, V.B.20	Flag Football Frequency of Play, Start Dates & Seasons of Competition	NAC	To establish regulations for women's flag football by setting the maximum contest limit at 18 contest with two additional scrimmage dates, establish September 1 or the start of the institution's fall term (whichever is earlier) as the practice start date, establish Thursday of the last full weekend in January as the start dates for games occurring after winter break (fall games can begin September 1), and identify the 20% threshold for charging a season of competition at 5 contests.
26-B-02	I.H.5	Men's Volleyball Start dates	MVBCA, Heart	To change the start date for competition for the sport of men's volleyball from the Thursday of the last full weekend in January for dates occurring after winter break to instead begin on the 14th Thursday prior to the conference qualification deadline, as determined by the National Administrative Council (NAC) each year.
26-B-03	II.D.1	School Closures & Recruiting	WHAC, NCEC	To permit NAIA coaches and administrators to initiate contact with student-athletes who are enrolled at an NAIA institution that formally announces its impending closure.