APP REVIEW REPORT
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA OMAHA

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INTRODUCTION

The following is a report of the University of Nebraska Omaha's ("UNO") current policies and procedures in the area of NCAA Academic Performance Progress data collection and submission. This report was prepared following a review of the institution's current practices by Matt Boyer, Assistant Commissioner at The Summit League. The review consisted of separate telephone interviews with Tracie Anderson, Athletics Certification Specialist, and Jacquelyn Duysen, Director of Compliance at UNO. In addition, Mr. Boyer also reviewed selected documents and materials related to the institution's current policies.

DISCUSSION

A. Overview of Current Strategies

In early fall of each year the Athletic Certification Specialist will begin the process of entering the institution's APP data into the NCAA's Compliance Assistant reporting program by first adding the information for each student-athlete listed on the previous season's squad lists. The Athletic Certification Specialist will then confirm eligibility status by cross-referencing an institutionally developed eligibility spreadsheet, and will then enter retention information as obtained from the institution's student information system, PeopleSoft. Once entered, the preliminary data is then reviewed jointly by the Athletics Certification Specialist, the Assistant Athletic Director – Academics, and the Director of Compliance for accuracy, prior to submission. These individuals will also determine whether any potential exceptions or waivers may apply, and will process accordingly. Following submission, the Assistant Athletic Director - Academics and Director of Compliance will review each sport's data with the appropriate head coach and sport supervisor, and will discuss strategies for improvement to their program's score, if appropriate. Information and education regarding the APR is also provided in basic terms to all student-athletes at the institution's fall introductory meetings, as well as individually as necessary. The institution's APP policy is also well documented and is included in the institution's 'Guide to NCAA Compliance'.

B. Recommendation

Currently, the institution will review select sport program's APR data with the respective head coach in limited situations prior to submission, with the Director of Compliance and/or the

Assistant Athletic Director – Academics reviewing each and every sport's data more thoroughly with the respective head coach following data submission. That being said, while the institution already has proper checks-and-balances in place to ensure that data entered and submitted is accurate, due to the fact that each sport program's head coach should have an extensive understanding of their program and a high level of interest in their program's data, the institution may wish to consider reviewing every sport program's data with the respective head coach prior to data submission to further ensure that all data submitted is completely accurate.

CONCLUSION

Based upon the interviews conducted and the materials reviewed, it seems as if the institution has a solid policy relating to APP data collection and submission. All individuals involved in the process were knowledgeable on the subject and clearly understood their respective role in the process. While the institution may wish to consider reviewing each sport's data with the respective coaching staff prior to submission as an additional measure, the process currently in place is certainly highly operational and is sufficient in completing the process.