

**OHIO UNIVERSITY  
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT**

**Independent Accountant's Report on  
Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures  
June 30, 2024**





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We have reviewed the *Independent Accountant's Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Ohio University NCAA, Athens County, prepared by Crowe LLP, for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Ohio University NCAA is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

January 29, 2025

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AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES  
REQUIRED BY THE NCAA  
June 30, 2024

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON  
APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Trustees and Management of Ohio University

We have performed the procedures included in Attachment A, which were agreed to by the President of Ohio University ("the University"), and the National Collegiate Athletic Association ("NCAA") solely to assist the specified parties in evaluating the University's compliance with the NCAA Constitution Article 3.2.4.17 during the year ended June 30, 2024. The University's management is responsible for the Schedule of Revenue and Expenses of intercollegiate athletics operations ("Schedule") and the Schedule's compliance with those requirements.

Ohio University has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of evaluating the University's compliance with the NCAA Constitution Article 3.2.4.17 during the year ended June 30, 2024. We make no representation regarding the appropriateness of the procedures either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes. An agreed-upon procedures engagement involves performing specific procedures that the engaging party has agreed to and acknowledged to be appropriate for the intended purpose of the engagement and reporting on findings based on the procedures performed.

The procedures and the associated findings are contained in Attachment A.

We were engaged by Ohio University to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on the compliance of the accompanying Schedule of Revenue and Expenses of Ohio University intercollegiate athletic programs with the NCAA Constitution Article 3.2.4.17. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of Ohio University and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the President of Ohio University and the NCAA and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*Crowe LLP*  
Crowe LLP

Columbus, Ohio  
December 19, 2024

**OHIO UNIVERSITY**  
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**SCHEDULE OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES**  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2024  
(Uaudited)

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Item	Men's Football	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball	Other Sports	Non-Program Specific	Total
<b>Summary of Revenue:</b>						
Ticket sales	\$ 820,501	\$ 485,491	\$ 12,462	\$ 68,542	\$ -	\$ 1,386,996
Direct institutional support	8,345,645	2,164,419	1,508,839	8,584,795	3,077,097	23,680,795
Indirect institutional support	945,964	280,278	157,432	784,452	556,300	2,724,426
Guarantees	1,700,000	-	10,000	12,000	-	1,722,000
Contributions	132,721	44,435	188,569	253,397	388,121	1,007,243
Media rights	38,500	38,500	-	-	-	77,000
NCAA distributions	502,647	292,988	86,629	806,840	-	1,689,104
Conference distributions	-	-	-	45,798	1,777,607	1,823,405
Conference distributions of bowl generated revenue	350,000	-	-	-	-	350,000
Program, novelty, parking and concession sales	200,426	54,910	8,860	16,524	146,053	426,773
Royalties, licensing, advertisements and sponsorships	15,000	1,236	-	-	1,626,529	1,642,765
Sports camp revenue	28,877	160,948	-	229,573	-	419,398
Athletics restricted endowment and investment income	29,111	20,196	25,324	62,585	61,306	198,522
Other operating revenue	46,135	2,000	-	9,994	203,708	261,837
Bowl revenues	<u>9,731</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,731</u>
<b>Total operating revenue</b>	<b>\$ 13,165,258</b>	<b>\$ 3,545,401</b>	<b>\$ 1,998,115</b>	<b>\$ 10,874,500</b>	<b>\$ 7,836,721</b>	<b>\$ 37,419,995</b>

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Item	Men's Football	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball	Other Sports	Non-Program Specific	Total
<b>Summary of Expenses:</b>						
Athletic student aid Guarantees	\$ 3,812,071 425,000	\$ 623,658 47,812	\$ 680,674 3,223	\$ 4,283,060 37,087	\$ 31,650 -	\$ 9,431,113 513,122
Coaching salaries, benefits, and bonuses paid by the University and related entities	2,460,240	1,314,679	677,665	2,438,177	-	6,890,761
Support staff/administrative compensation, benefits and bonuses paid by the University and related entities	393,486	102,830	97,518	61,552	3,200,622	3,856,008
Recruiting	497,787	114,384	74,115	128,477	-	814,763
Team travel	1,409,594	584,605	161,959	1,407,568	-	3,563,726
Equipment, uniforms and supplies	564,184	32,176	13,578	300,209	-	910,147
Game expenses	257,353	156,194	113,868	239,410	-	766,825
Fundraising, marketing and promotion	167,366	58,571	5,454	186,545	1,520,681	1,938,617
Sports camp expenses	25,896	141,457	-	100,718	-	268,071
Athletic facilities debt service, leases and rental fees	20,000	5,405	60	49,989	416,388	491,842
Direct overhead and administrative expenses	218,454	40,582	17,453	155,964	836,443	1,268,896
Indirect institutional support	945,964	280,278	157,432	784,452	556,300	2,724,426
Medical expenses and medical insurance	68,007	6,420	652	9,463	652,144	736,686
Memberships and dues	163,245	20,501	15,860	15,840	151,913	367,359
Student-athlete meals (non-travel)	333,050	92,868	32,121	24,349	22,977	505,365
Other operating expenses	111,205	48,527	10,342	51,528	123,427	345,029
Bowl expenses	457,984	-	-	-	-	457,984
Bowl expenses – Coaching Compensation/Bonuses	58,912	-	-	-	-	58,912
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>12,389,798</b>	<b>3,670,947</b>	<b>2,061,974</b>	<b>10,274,388</b>	<b>7,512,545</b>	<b>35,909,652</b>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over (under) expenses	\$ 775,460	\$ (125,546)	\$ (63,859)	\$ 600,112	\$ 324,176	\$ 1,510,343

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The accompanying Schedule of Revenue and Expenses (the "Schedule") has been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and is prepared in a manner which intends to report all activity of Ohio University (the "University") intercollegiate athletics program. Unrestricted revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when incurred. Restricted revenue is reported when expended rather than when received. The revenue and expenses have been classified on a basis consistent with the account structure of the University.

**Note A – Contributions**

We identified no contributions of cash, services or goods which were received by the University's Athletics Department and that constituted 10 percent or greater of all contributions received by the University's Athletics Department.

**Note B – Capital Assets**

Property and equipment are recorded at cost or, if donated, the acquisition value at the time of donation. Expense for maintenance and repairs is charged to current expense as incurred. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method. No depreciation is recorded on land. Expenses for major renewals and betterments that extend the useful lives of the assets are capitalized. Estimated service lives range from 5-40 years depending on class.

The total estimated book values of property, plant and equipment, net of depreciation, of the University as of the year ending June 30, 2024, are as follows:

	<u>Estimated Book Value</u>
Athletics-related property, plant and equipment balance	\$ 31,337,591
Institutional total property, plant and equipment balance	1,163,909,532

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**Note C – Intercollegiate Athletics-Related Debt**

The annual debt service and debt outstanding for the Athletics-related facilities and University as of the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

	<u>Annual Debt Service</u>	<u>Debt Outstanding</u>
Athletics - Related Facilities	\$ 236,719	\$ 236,719
Total University	\$ 38,501,812	\$ 600,687,226

The repayment schedule for all outstanding intercollegiate athletics-related debt maintained by the University during the year ended June 30, 2024 is as follows:

Year Ending June 30

2025	\$ 236,719
	\$ 236,719

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## Procedures

**If a specific reporting category is omitted from the schedule or it is less than 4% of the total revenue or expenses, the procedure is not deemed to be applicable for that specific category.**

### **Revenue Procedures**

1. Before the commencement of fieldwork, determine that the amounts reported on the Schedule agree to the institution's general ledger.

***Results: No exceptions noted.***

2. Compare and agree each operating revenue category reported in the Schedule during the reporting period to supporting statements provided by the institution.

***Results: No exceptions noted.***

3. Compare and agree a haphazard sample of 5 operating revenue receipts obtained from the above operating revenue supporting statements to adequate supporting documentation (such as payment receipts, posting general and daily balancing report).

***Results: We performed specific revenue procedures detailed below for all categories that were equal to or greater than 4% of total revenues. Testing of 5 operating receipts are included within these categories.***

4. Compare each major revenue account over 10% of the total revenues to prior period amounts and budget estimates. Obtain and document an explanation of any significant variations over 10% from the prior year. Report the analysis as a supplement to the final agreed upon procedures report.

***Results: We noted one variance requiring disclosure, refer to Attachment B. The budget to actual statement comparison was not performed at the account level but at the planning unit level which is the practice used for all departments within the University.***

### **Ticket Sales**

5. Compare tickets sold during the reporting period, complimentary tickets provided during the reporting period and unsold tickets to the related revenue reported by the Institution in the Schedule and the related attendance figures and recalculate totals.

***Results: This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.***

### **Student Fees**

6. Compare and agree student fees reported by the institution in the Schedule for the reporting to student enrollments obtained from the Registrar during the same reporting period and recalculate totals.

***Results: We were informed by Management that Athletics does not receive student fees revenue. The University does not record student fees revenue in the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.***

7. Obtain documentation of institution's methodology for allocating student fees to intercollegiate athletics programs.

***Results: We were informed by Management that Athletics does not receive student fees revenue. The University does not record student fees revenue in the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.***

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8. If the athletics department is reporting that an allocation of student fees should be countable as generated revenue, recalculate the totals of their methodology for supporting that they are able to count each sport. Tie the calculation to supporting documents such as seat manifests, ticket sales reports and student fee totals.

**Results:** *We were informed by Management that Athletics does not receive student fees revenue. The University does not record student fees revenue in the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.*

Direct State or Other Governmental Support

9. Compare direct state or other governmental support recorded by the institution during the reporting period with state appropriations, institutional authorizations or other corroborative supporting documentation and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *Management of the University informed us that there was no revenue from the state or other governmental support. The University does not record direct state or other governmental support on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Direct Institutional Support

10. Compare the direct institutional support recorded by the institution during the reporting period with the institutional supporting budget transfers documentation and other corroborative supporting documentation and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We agreed direct institutional support recorded to the planning unit spending authorization reports for athletics (regular operating) and athletics (grants-in-aid). No exceptions noted.*

Transfers Back to Institution

11. Compare the transfers back to institution with permanent transfers back to institution from the athletics department with recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We were informed by management that Athletics did not make any transfers back to the institution, and as such, none were reported on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.*

Indirect Institutional Support

12. Compare the indirect institutional support recorded by the institution during the reporting period with expense payments, cost allocation detail or other corroborative supporting documentation and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We recalculated allocations and agreed each sport's total expenditures to the general ledger. No exceptions noted.*

Guarantees

13. Select a haphazard sample of 5 settlement reports for away games during the reporting period and agree each selection to the institution's general ledger and the Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We tested a sample of 5 contractual agreements for away games during the reporting period and agreed the amounts to the general ledger and recalculated totals. No exceptions noted.*

14. Select a haphazard sample of 5 contractual agreements pertaining to revenues derived from guaranteed contests during the reporting period and compare and agree each selection to the institution's general ledger and the Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We selected a sample of 5 contractual agreements pertaining to guarantee revenues during the reporting period and agreed to the general ledger and Statement and recalculated totals. No exceptions noted.*

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Contributions

15. Obtain and agree supporting documentation for any contributions of money, goods or services received directly by an intercollegiate athletics program from any affiliated or outside organization, agency or group of individuals (two or more) not included above (e.g., contributions by corporate sponsors) that constitutes 10% or more of all contributions received for intercollegiate athletics during the reporting period and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

In-Kind

16. Compare the in-kind recorded by the institution during the reporting period with a schedule of in-kind donations and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *Management of the University informed us that there were no revenue in-kind contributions, and as such, none was reported on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Compensation and Benefits Provided by a Third-Party

17. Obtain the summary of revenues from affiliated and outside organizations (the "Summary") as of the end of the reporting period from the institution and select a haphazard sample of funds representing at least 20% of the compensation and benefits revenues from the Summary and compare and agree each selection to supporting documentation (such as a report from the third-party), the institution's general ledger, and the Summary and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *Management of the University informed us that there was no revenue from affiliated and outside organizations provided to the coaching staff or support staff, and as such, none was reported on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Media Rights

18. Obtain and inspect agreements to understand the institution's total media (broadcast, television, radio) rights received by the institution or through their conference offices as reported in the Schedule.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

19. Compare and agree the media right revenues recorded to a summary statement of all media rights identified, is applicable, and the institution's general ledger and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

NCAA Distributions

20. Compare the amounts recorded in the revenue and expense reporting to general ledger detail for NCAA distributions and other corroborative supporting documents (i.e., check copy, agreement) and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We agreed all NCAA distributions to correspondence received. No exceptions noted.*

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Conference Distributions and Conference Distributions of Bowl Generated Revenue

21. Obtain and inspect all agreements related to the institution's conference distributions and participation in revenues from tournaments during the reporting period for relevant terms and conditions.

**Results:** *We agreed all conference distributions (non-bowl and bowl games) to correspondence from the conference. No exceptions noted.*

22. Compare and agree the related revenues to the institution's general ledger and the Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

Program Sales, Concessions, Novelty Sales and Parking

23. Compare the amount recorded in the revenue reporting category to a general ledger detail of program sales, concessions, novelty sales and parking as well as any other corroborative supporting documents (i.e., check copy, agreement) and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Royalties, Licensing, Advertisements and Sponsorships

24. Obtain and inspect agreements related to the institution's participation in revenues from royalties, licensing, advertisements and sponsorships during the reporting period for the relevant terms and conditions.

**Results:** *We agreed all royalties, licensing, advertisement, and sponsorship revenues to agreement and/or contract terms and conditions. No exceptions noted.*

25. Compare and agree the related revenues to the institution's general ledger and the Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We agreed all royalties, licensing, advertisement, and sponsorship revenues to the general ledger and recalculated totals. No exceptions noted.*

Sports Camp Revenues

26. Inspect sports-camp contract(s) between the institution and person(s) conducting institutional sports-camps or clinics during the reporting period to obtain documentation of the institution's methodology for recording revenues from sports-camps.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

27. Obtain schedules of camp participants and select a haphazard sample of 3 team camps and 3 individual camp participant cash receipts from the statement of sports-camp participants and agree each selection to the institution's general ledger and the Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Athletics Restricted Endowment and Investment Income

28. Obtain and inspect all endowment agreements (if any) for relevant terms and conditions.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

29. Compare and agree the classification and use of endowment and investment income reported in the Schedule during the reporting period to the uses of income defined within the related endowment agreement and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

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Other

30. Perform minimum agreed-upon procedures referenced for all revenue categories (see above under revenue procedures, points 1-3) and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Bowl Revenues

31. Obtain and inspect all agreements related to the institution's revenues from post-season bowl participation during the reporting period to gain an understanding of the relevant terms and conditions.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

32. Compare and agree the related revenues to the institution's general ledger and Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total revenues. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

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Expense Procedures

1. Before the commencement of fieldwork, determine that the amounts reported on the Schedule agree to the institution's general ledger.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

2. Compare and agree each operating expense category reported in the Schedule during the reporting period to supporting schedules provided by the institution.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

3. Compare and agree a haphazard sample of 5 operating expenses (or all if the population is less than 5) obtained from the above operating expense supporting schedules to adequate supporting documentation (such as completed expense reimbursement forms, copies of receipts and invoices).

**Results:** *We performed specific expense procedures detailed below for all categories that were equal to or greater than 4% of total expenses. Testing of 5 operating expenses are included within these categories.*

4. Compare and agree each major expense account over 10% of the total expenses to prior period amounts and budget estimates. Obtain and document an explanation of any significant variations (significant defined as 10% or more). Report the analysis as a supplement to the final agreed upon procedures report.

**Results:** *We noted one variance requiring disclosures refer to Attachment B. The budget to actual statement comparison was not performed at the account level but at the planning unit level which is the practice used for all departments within the University.*

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Athletic Student Aid

5. Select a haphazard sample of students from the listing of institutional student aid recipients during the reporting period. Sample shall be not less than 10% of the total student athletes for institutions who have used NCAA's Compliance Assistant software to prepare athletic aid detail, with a maximum sample size of 40 and not less than 20% of total student athletes for institutions who have not, with a maximum sample size of 60.

**Results:** *We noted management does utilize NCAA's Compliance Assistant software to prepare athletic aid details, therefore, a sample of 40 students were selected for testing.*

6. Obtain individual student-account detail for each selection and reconcile the total athletic aid reported by the institution to the student athlete's account detail reported in CA or the institution report that reconciles directly to the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System.

**Results:** *We tested a sample of 40 students and reconciled each student's total athletic aid reported by the institution to the student athlete's account detail in the Calculation of Revenue Distribution Equivalency Report ("CRDE"). The student's accounts tested are summarized on the next page. Based on our testing, the differences identified were a result of appropriate and approved circumstances and the correct amount of aid was received for all students tested.*

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<u>Student Tested</u>	Amount Per <u>Student Account</u>			Amount Per <u>CRDE</u>			<u>Difference</u>	<u>Student Tested</u>	Amount Per <u>Student Account</u>			Amount Per <u>CRDE</u>			<u>Difference</u>
1	\$	20,774	\$	20,732	\$	42		21	\$	30,790	\$	30,392	\$	398	
2		20,981		20,981		-		22		31,202		31,096		106	
3		30,570		30,570		-		23		18,396		18,382		14	
4		41,143		40,760		383		24		9,730		9,730		-	
5		14,366		13,896		470		25		35,876		-		35,876	
6		15,675		15,548		127		26		14,475		14,475		-	
7		38,979		38,920		59		27		18,000		18,000		-	
8		12,157		12,157		-		28		29,007		28,950		57	
9		43,487		43,019		468		29		20,791		20,723		68	
10		38,474		38,516		(42)		30		41,733		41,464		269	
11		31,312		31,096		216		31		1,448		1,448		-	
12		20,732		41,464		(20,732)		32		6,219		6,219		-	
13		6,000		6,000		-		33		18,000		18,000		-	
14		29,201		28,950		251		34		40,945		40,760		185	
15		25,423		-		25,423		35		15,400		15,400		-	
16		32,832		34,968		(2,136)		36		21,274		21,274		-	
17		16,304		16,304		-		37		30,602		30,392		210	
18		20,630		20,732		(102)		38		7,598		7,598		-	
19		12,000		12,000		-		39		31,139		31,096		43	
20		41,938		41,464		474		40		6,000		6,000		-	

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7. Perform a check of each student selected to observe their information was reported accurately in either the NCAA's Compliance Assistant software or entered directly into the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System using the following criteria:
  - a. **Criterion:** Grants-in-aid is calculated by using the revenue distribution equivalencies, athletic grant amount dividend by the full grant amount.  
**Procedure:** For each student selected, recalculate the grants-in-aid and compare to the CRDE report to determine any discrepancies.  
**Results:** *We calculated the equivalency values where the denominator was adjusted as a result of the actual costs applied as noted in the results above. Aid was adjusted / posted correctly to ensure that cost of attendance was not exceeded and / or correct equivalency was met.*
  - b. **Criterion:** Other expenses related to attendance (also known as cost of attendance) should not be included in grants-in-aid revenue distribution equivalencies. Only tuition, fees, room, board, and course-related books are countable for grants-in-aid revenue distribution per Bylaw 20.02.10. Note: for compliance purposes equivalencies may include other expenses related to attendance per Bylaw 15.02.2. However, other expenses related to attendance are not allowed to be included for the revenue distribution equivalencies. If using the NCAA CA application, the Calculation of Revenue Distribution Equivalencies Report (CDRE) should provide equivalencies that do not include other expense related to attendance.  
**Procedure:** For each student selected, observe that only tuition, fees, room, board, and course-related books are included in the grants-in-aid revenue distribution.  
**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*
  - c. **Criterion:** The full grant amount should be entered as a full year of tuition, not semester or quarter.  
**Procedure:** For each student selected, compare the grant amount shown to the cost of tuition as published by the institution and determine whether it is for the full year, not a semester or quarter.  
**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*
  - d. **Criterion:** Student-athletes should only be counted once, regardless of multiple sport participation, and should not receive a revenue distribution equivalency greater than 1.00.  
**Procedure:** For each selection, observe that the student-athlete was counted once and did not receive a revenue distribution equivalency greater than 1.00.  
**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*
  - e. **Criterion:** Athletic grants are valid for revenue distribution purposes only in sports in which the NCAA conducts championship competitions, emerging sports for women and football bowl subdivision football.  
**Procedure:** Obtain a list of NCAA championship competitions, emerging sports for women, and bowl subdivision football. For the students selected, compare the sports included within the calculations to those on the list and determine if there are any discrepancies.  
**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

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- f. *Criterion:* Grants-in-aid are valid for revenue distribution purposes in NCAA sports that do not meet the minimum contests and participants requirements of Bylaw 20.10.6.3.

*Procedure:* For each student selected, compare grants-in-aid included within the calculation to NCAA sports that do not meet the minimum contests and participation requirements of Bylaw 20.10.6.3 and determine if there are any discrepancies.

**Results:** No exceptions noted.

- g. *Criterion:* Institutions providing grants to student-athletes listed on the CRDE as 'Exhausted Eligibility (fifth year)' or 'Medical' receive credit in the grants-in-aid component.

*Procedure:* If a student selected is included in the grants-in-aid calculation, obtain and observe letter(s) from the institution to the student communicating the status as 'Exhausted Eligibility (fifth year)' or 'Medical', as applicable, and determine that the student is properly flagged in the compliance software (if used).

**Results:** No exceptions noted.

- h. *Criterion:* The athletics aid equivalency cannot exceed maximum equivalency limits. However, the total revenue distribution equivalency can exceed maximum equivalency limits due to exhausted eligibility and medical equivalencies (reference Bylaw 15.5.3.1).

*Procedure:* If maximum equivalency limits are exceeded, trace the excess over the limit to exhausted eligibility and medical equivalencies.

**Results:** No exceptions noted.

- i. *Criterion:* If a sport is discontinued and the athletic aid is still being awarded/honored by the institution, the athletic aid is countable for revenue distribution purposes. Note: The discontinued sport will need to be added to the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System's Revenue Distribution data entry Webpage.

*Procedure:* For any selections where the sport is discontinued and the institution has included the related student aid for the student, observe documentation that the student aid is still being honored by the institution.

**Results:** No exceptions noted.

- j. *Criterion:* All equivalency calculations should be rounded to two decimal places.

*Procedure:* For each student selected, observe that calculations have two decimal points.

**Results:** No exceptions noted.

- k. *Criterion:* If a selected student received a Pell Grant, observe the value of the grant is not included in the calculation of equivalencies or the total dollar amount of student athletic aid expense for the institution.

*Procedure:* If a selected student received a Pell Grant, observe that the value of the grant is not included in the calculation of equivalencies or the total dollar amount of student athletic aid expense for the institution.

**Results:** No exceptions noted.

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- I. **Criterion:** If a selected student received a Pell Grant, observe the student's grant was included in the total number and total dollar value of Pell Grants reported for Revenue Distribution purposes in the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System.

**Procedure:** If a selected student received a Pell Grant, observe that the student's grant was included in the total number and total dollar value of Pell Grants reported for Revenue Distribution purposes in the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

8. Recalculate total student aid for each sport and overall based on detailed listing of student aid expense provided by the institution.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

**Guarantees**

9. Obtain and inspect visiting institution's away-game settlement reports received by the institution during the reporting period and agree related expenses to the institution's general ledger and the Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

10. Obtain and inspect all contractual agreements pertaining to expenses recorded by the institution from guaranteed contests during the reporting period. Compare and agree related amounts expensed by the institution during the reporting period to the institution's general ledger and the Schedule and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

**Coaching Salaries, Benefits, and Bonuses Paid by the University and Related Entities**

11. Obtain and inspect a listing of coaches employed by the institution and related entities during the reporting period. Select a haphazard sample of 5 coaches' contracts that must include football, and men's and women's basketball from the above listing.

**Results:** *We obtained a listing of all coaches employed by the University and selected five coaches' contracts, including football, men's basketball, women's basketball, baseball, and soccer. No exceptions noted.*

12. Compare and agree the financial terms and conditions of each selection to the related coaching salaries, benefits, and bonuses recorded by the institution and related entities in the Schedule during the reporting period.

**Results:** *We agreed the financial terms and conditions of each of the related coaching salaries, benefits, and bonuses recorded by the University on the payroll detail. No exceptions noted.*

13. Obtain and inspect payroll summary registers for the reporting period for each selection. Compare and agree related payroll summary registers for the reporting period to the related coaching salaries, benefits and bonuses paid by the institution and related entities expense recorded by the institution in the Schedule during the reporting period.

**Results:** *We agreed payroll summary registers for each selection. No exceptions noted.*

14. Compare and agree the totals recorded to any employment contracts executed for the sample selected and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

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Coaching Other Compensation and Benefits Paid by a Third-Party

15. Obtain and inspect a listing of coaches employed by third parties during the reporting period. Select a haphazard sample of 5 coaches' contracts, or all if less than 5, that must include football, and men's and women's basketball from the listing.

**Results:** *We were informed by management that Athletics does not have coaching other compensation and benefits provided by a third-party, and as such, none was recorded on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.*

16. Compare and agree the financial terms and conditions of each selection to the related coaching other compensation and benefits paid by third party and recorded by the institution in the Schedule during the reporting period.

**Results:** *We were informed by management that Athletics does not have coaching other compensation and benefits provided by a third-party, and as such, none was recorded on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.*

17. Obtain and inspect reporting period payroll summary registers for each selection. Compare and agree the related payroll summary register to the coaching other compensation and benefits paid by a third-party expense recorded by the institution in the Schedule during the reporting period and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We were informed by management that Athletics does not have coaching other compensation and benefits provided by a third-party, and as such, none was recorded on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.*

Support Staff/Administrative Salaries, Benefits and Bonuses Paid by the University and Related Entities

18. Select a haphazard sample 5 (or all if fewer than 5) support staff/administrative personnel employed by the institution and related entities during the reporting period.

**Results:** *We obtained a listing of all support staff/administrative personnel employed by the University and selected 5 for testing. No exceptions noted.*

19. Obtain and inspect the reporting period summary payroll register for each selection. Compare and agree related reporting period payroll summary registers to the related support/staff administrative salaries, benefits and bonuses paid by the institution and related entities expense recorded by the institution in the Schedule during the reporting period and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We agreed the payroll summary registers to the related support staff/administrative salaries, benefits and bonuses paid by the University to the statement and recalculated the totals. No exceptions noted.*

Support Staff/Administrative Compensation and Benefits Paid by a Third Party

20. Select a haphazard sample of 5 (or all if fewer than 5) support staff/administrative personnel employed by the third parties during the reporting period.

**Results:** *We were informed by management that Athletics does not have support staff/administrative compensation and benefits provided by a third-party, and as such, none was recorded on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.*

21. Obtain and inspect reporting period payroll summary registers for each selection. Compare and agree related reporting period payroll summary registers to the related support/staff administrative other compensation and benefits expense recorded by the institution in the Schedule during the reporting period and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We were informed by management that Athletics does not have support staff/administrative compensation and benefits provided by a third-party, and as such, none was recorded on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above are not applicable.*

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Severance Payments

22. Select a haphazard sample of 5 employees (or all if fewer than 5) receiving severance payments by the institution during the reporting period and agree each severance payment to the related termination letter or employment contract and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We were informed by management that there were no severance payments related to Athletics made during the year, and as such, none were reported on the Schedule. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above is not applicable.*

Recruiting

23. Obtain documentation of the Institution's recruiting expense policies.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

24. Compare and agree to existing institutional and NCAA-related policies.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

25. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported and recalculate totals.

**Result:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Team Travel

26. Obtain documentation of the Institution's team travel policies.

**Results:** *We obtained Athletics team travel policies. No exceptions noted.*

27. Compare and agree to existing institutional and NCAA-related policies.

**Results:** *We compared and agreed Athletics team travel policies to NCAA-related policies. No exceptions noted.*

28. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We selected 5 team travel expenses. We agreed the team travel expenses to the general ledger and recalculated totals. No exceptions noted.*

Equipment, Uniforms and Supplies

29. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above were not applicable.*

Game Expenses

30. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

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Fund Raising, Marketing and Promotion

31. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We selected 5 fundraising, marketing and promotion expenses. We agreed the fund raising, marketing and promotion to the general ledger and recalculated totals. No exceptions noted.*

Sports Camp Expenses

32. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, this procedure enumerated above were not applicable.*

Spirit Groups

33. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We were informed by management of the University there were no expenses related to Spirit Groups in the year, and as such, none were reported in the Schedule. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above is not applicable.*

Athletic Facility Debt Service, Leases and Rental Fees

34. Obtain a listing of debt service schedules, lease payments and rental fees for athletics facilities for the reporting year. Compare a sample of 5 facility payments including the top two highest facility payments and an additional 3 haphazardly selected payments to additional supporting documentation (e.g. debt financing agreements, leases, rental agreements).

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

35. Compare amounts recorded to amounts listed in the general ledger detail and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Direct Overhead and Administrative Expenses

36. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if less than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to related calculations/agreements and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedures enumerated above were not applicable.*

Medical Expenses and Medical Insurance

37. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above were not applicable.*

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Memberships and Dues

38. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above were not applicable.*

Other Operating Expenses and Transfers to Institution

39. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above were not applicable.*

Student-Athlete Meals (non-travel)

40. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above were not applicable.*

Bowl Expenses

41. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *This procedure was not applicable in the current year as this category was less than 4% of the total expenses. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above were not applicable.*

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Additional Minimum Agreed-Upon Procedures

1. For Grants-in-Aid:

- a. Compare and agree the sports sponsored reported in the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System to the Calculation of Revenue Distribution Equivalencies Report (CRDE) from Compliance Assistant (CA) or other report that supports the equivalency calculations from the institution. The NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System populates the sports from the NCAA Sports Sponsorship and Demographics Form as they are reported by the institution. If there is a discrepancy in the sports sponsored between the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System and the CRDE or other report that supports the equivalency calculations, inquire about the discrepancy and report the reason for the discrepancy in the AUP report.

**Results:** *We noted no discrepancies in the sports sponsored between the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting Systems and Squad Lists.*

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- b. Compare current year Grants-in-Aid revenue distribution equivalencies to prior year reported equivalencies per the Membership Financial Report submission. Inquire and document an explanation for any variance greater than +/- 4%.

**Results:** *We noted, in total, variances were not greater or less than 4% when comparing the current year Grants-In-Aid revenue distribution equivalencies to prior year reported equivalences per the Membership Financial Report.*

2. For Sports Sponsorship:

- a. Obtain the institution's Sports Sponsorship and Demographics Form submitted to the NCAA for the reporting year. Validate that the countable sports reported by the institution met the minimum requirements, set forth in Bylaw 20.9.6.3, related to the number of contests and the number of participants. If the institution requested and/or received a waiver related to minimum contests or minimum participants for a particular sport, that sport would not qualify as a sponsored sport for the purposes of revenue distribution. Also, only sports in which the NCAA conducts championships competition, emerging sports for women and bowl subdivision football are eligible. Once countable sports have been validated, ensure that the institution has properly reported these sports as countable for revenue distribution purposes within the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System. Note: Any discrepancies MUST be resolved within the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System prior to the report being submitted to the NCAA.

**Results:** *We obtained the 2023-2024 Sports Sponsorship and Demographics form and noted that minimum requirements were met for contests and participants for each sport.*

- b. Compare current year number of Sports Sponsored to prior year reported total per the Membership Financial Report submission. Inquire and document an explanation for any variance.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted. The number of sports sponsored in prior and current year was 16.*

3. For Pell Grants:

- a. Agree the total number of Division I student-athletes who, during the academic year, received a Pell Grant award (e.g. Pell Grant recipients on Full Athletic Aid, Pell Grant recipients on Partial Athletic Aid and Pell Grant recipients with no Athletic Aid) and the total dollar amount of these Pell Grants reported in the NCAA Membership Financial Reporting System to a report generated out of the institutions financial aid records of all student-athlete Pell Grants. Note: individual student-aid file testing in step 7 above should tie any selected student athletes who received Pell Grants back to the report of all student athlete Pell Grants to test the completeness and accuracy of the report.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

- b. Compare current year Pell Grants total to prior year reported total per the Membership Financial Report submission. Inquire and document an explanation for any variance greater than +/- 20 grants.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted. We noted Pell Grants in prior year and current year were 47 and 45, respectively.*

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**Following is a complete listing of the minimum agreed-upon procedures for other reporting items, by category, to be performed to the Schedule.**

Minimum Agreed-Upon Procedures Program for Other Reporting Items

1. Before the commencement of fieldwork, compare the amounts reported on the Schedule agree to the institution's general ledger.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted.*

Excess Transfers to Institution and Conference Realignment

2. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We were informed by Management of the University there were no excess transfers to the University or conference realignment expenses. Therefore, the procedure enumerated above is not applicable.*

Total Athletics Related Debt

3. Obtain repayment schedules for all outstanding intercollegiate athletics debt during the reporting period and recalculate annual maturities (consisting of principal and interest) provided in the schedules obtained.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted, refer to Attachment C for additional information.*

4. Agree the total annual maturities and total outstanding athletic related debt to supporting documentation and the institution's general ledger.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted, refer to Attachment C for additional information.*

Total Institutional Debt

5. Agree the total outstanding institutional debt to the detail listing provided by the institution and the institution's audited financial statements, if available, or the institution's general ledger.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted, refer to Attachment C for additional information.*

Value of Athletics Dedicated Endowments

6. Obtain a schedule of all athletics dedicated endowments maintained by athletics, the institution, and affiliated organizations. Agree the fair value in the schedule(s) to the detail listing provided by the institution, the audited financial statements, and the institution's general ledger.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted, refer to Attachment C for additional information.*

Value of Institutional Endowments

7. Agree the total fair value of institutional endowments to the detail listing provided by the institution, the institution's audited financial statements and the institution's general ledger.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted, refer to Attachment C for additional information.*

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Total Athletics Related Capital Expenditures

8. Obtain a schedule of athletics related capital expenditures made by athletics, the institution, and affiliated organizations during the reporting period.

**Results:** *No exceptions noted, refer to Attachment C for additional information.*

9. Obtain general ledger detail and compare to the total expenses reported. Select a haphazard sample of 5 transactions (or all if fewer than 5) to validate existence of transaction and accuracy of recording by agreeing to underlying invoices and recalculate totals.

**Results:** *We selected 5 transactions and received supporting documentation and recalculated totals. No exceptions noted.*

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We compared revenues and expenses with prior year amounts.

There was one revenue line item on the Schedule of Revenues and Expenses that were greater than 10% of the total revenues and fluctuated by more than 10% from the prior year. Direct institutional support increased in FY24 to cover prior year deficits that had accumulated. This was a result of the university's budget strategy to stabilize and maintain FY21 Athletics spending authorization support during the pandemic and over the anticipated three year recovery period, with an expectation that the university would resolve and cover deficits incurred during these fiscal years.

There was one expense line item on the Schedule of Revenues and Expenses that were greater than 10% of the total expenses and fluctuated by more than 10% from the prior year. Staffing support compensation increased due to across the board wage increases and a bonus for the Director of Athletics, new positions were added for an Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach and a Director of Athletics Administration.

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Other Reporting Items

Total Athletics Related Debt	\$ 236,719
Total Institutional Related Debt	600,687,226
Value of Athletics Dedicated Endowments	8,926,228
Value of Institutional Endowments	779,546,455
Total Athletics Related Capital Expenditures	2,396,340
Total Institutional Pledges Receivable	305,516

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