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SUBJECT
Idaho State Board of Education Policy II.H. – second reading

REFERENCE
October 2012
Board approved 1st reading limiting multi-year coach contracts to not more than three years.

December 2012
Board deferred 2nd reading to February, 2013 meeting pending further edits

February 2013
Board approved 1st reading placing certain conditions on coach contracts, and revising the liquidated damages clause in the Model Coach Contract

APPLICABLE STATUTE, RULE, OR POLICY
Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies & Procedures, Section II.H.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION
At the October 2011 Board meeting, the chair of the Athletic Committee indicated the Committee wanted the institutions to be aware the Board is looking for four criteria when looking at contracts: 1) timelines (i.e. Board approval prior to effective date), 2) meaningful academic incentives, 3) three-year terms (with some exceptions) and 4) liquidated damages. The chair reiterated that future contracts need to contain these criteria to be considered and follow the model contract in Board policy.

In an effort to provide more definitive guidance to the institutions, the Board directed staff to bring proposed policy amendments forward for its consideration.

IMPACT
The proposed policy revisions would make the following changes:
- limit multi-year coach contracts to not more than three years, absent extraordinary circumstances
- all multi-year employment contracts require prior Board approval
- contracts must contain a liquidated damages clause provision in favor of the institution, applicable in the event that a coach terminates their contract for convenience, in an amount which is a reasonable approximation of damages which might be sustained if the contract is terminated
- contracts for one year and $150,000 or less do not need Board approval

ATTACHMENTS
Attachment 1 – Policy II.H. – Revised second reading Page 3
Attachment 2 – Model Coach Contract Page 5

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
The only change between first and second reading is removal of the phrase “and approved by the University (College)’s Board of (Regents or Trustees)” in sections 3.2.3 and 3.2.4 of the model contract (see Attachment 2, page 7).
These two sections relate to supplemental compensation. The historical practice has been that once the Board approves a coach contract, the determination of whether a coach receives supplemental compensation is at the discretion of the institution president.

Staff recommends approval.

BOARD ACTION

I move to approve the second reading of proposed amendments to Board Policy Section II.H., Policies Regarding Coaching Personnel and Athletic Directors, and the Model Coach Contract, with all revisions as presented.

Moved by____________ Seconded by____________ Carried Yes____ No____
1. Agreements Longer Than One Year

The chief executive officer of an institution is authorized to enter into a contract for the services of a head coach or athletic director with that institution for a term of more than one (1) year, but not more than three (3) years, subject to approval by the Board as to the terms, conditions, and compensation there under, and subject further to the condition that the contract of employment carries terms and conditions of future obligations of the coach or athletic director to the institution for the performance of such contracts. All such contracts must contain a liquidated damages clause provision in favor of the institution, applicable in the event that the coach or athletic director terminates the contract for convenience, in an amount which is a reasonable approximation of damages which might be sustained if the contract is terminated. A contract in excess of three (3) years, or a rolling three (3) year contract, may be considered by the Board upon the documented showing of extraordinary circumstances. All contracts must be submitted for Board approval prior to the contract effective date. Each contract for the services shall follow the general form approved by the Board as a model contract. Such contract shall define the entire employment relationship between the Board and the coach or athletic director and may incorporate by reference applicable Board and institutional policies and rules, and applicable law. The April 2013 Board revised and approved multiyear model contract is adopted by reference into this policy. The model contract may be found on the Board’s website at http://boardofed.idaho.gov/.

2. Agreements For One Year Or Less

The chief executive officer of an institution is authorized to enter into a contract for the services of a head coach or athletic director with that institution for a term of one (1) year or less and an annual salary of $150,000 or less without Board approval. Each contract shall follow the general form approved by the Board as a model contract. Such contract shall define the entire employment relationship between the Board and the coach or athletic director and may incorporate by reference applicable Board and institutional policies and rules, and applicable law. The December 9, 2010 Board revised and approved model contract is adopted by reference into this policy. The single-year model contract may be found on the Board’s website at http://boardofed.idaho.gov/.

3. Academic Incentives

Each contract for a head coach shall include incentives, separate from any other incentives, based upon the academic performance of the student athletes whom the coach supervises. The chief executive officer of the institution shall determine such incentives.

4. Part-time Coaches Excepted
The chief executive officer of an institution is authorized to hire part-time head coaches as provided in the policies of the institution. Applicable Board policies shall be followed.

5. Assistant Coaches

The chief executive officer of the institution is authorized to hire assistant coaches as provided in the policies of the institution. Applicable Board policies shall be followed.
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

This Employment Agreement (Agreement) is entered into by and between __________________________ (University (College)), and __________________________ (Coach).

ARTICLE 1

1.1. **Employment.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the University (College) shall employ Coach as the head coach of its intercollegiate (Sport)___ team (Team). Coach represents and warrants that Coach is fully qualified to serve, and is available for employment, in this capacity.

1.2. **Reporting Relationship.** Coach shall report and be responsible directly to the University (College)’s Director of Athletics (Director) or the Director’s designee. Coach shall abide by the reasonable instructions of Director or the Director’s designee and shall confer with the Director or the Director’s designee on all administrative and technical matters. Coach shall also be under the general supervision of the University (College)’s President (President).

1.3. **Duties.** Coach shall manage and supervise the Team and shall perform such other duties in the University (College)’s athletic program as the Director may assign and as may be described elsewhere in this Agreement. The University (College) shall have the right, at any time, to reassign Coach to duties at the University (College) other than as head coach of the Team, provided that Coach’s compensation and benefits shall not be affected by any such reassignment, except that the opportunity to earn supplemental compensation as provided in sections 3.2.1 through (Depending on supplemental pay provisions used)____ shall cease.

ARTICLE 2

2.1. **Term.** This Agreement is for a fixed-term appointment of _____ ( __ ) years, commencing on ________ and terminating, without further notice to Coach, on ________ unless sooner terminated in accordance with other provisions of this Agreement.

2.2. **Extension or Renewal.** This Agreement is renewable solely upon an offer from the University (College) and an acceptance by Coach, both of which must be in writing and signed by the parties. Any renewal is subject to the prior approval of University (College)’s Board of (Regents or Trustees)____. This Agreement in no way grants to Coach a claim to tenure in employment, nor shall Coach’s service pursuant to this agreement count in any way toward tenure at the University (College).
ARTICLE 3

3.1 Regular Compensation.

3.1.1 In consideration of Coach’s services and satisfactory performance of this Agreement, the University (College) shall provide to Coach:

a) An annual salary of $________ per year, payable in biweekly installments in accordance with normal University (College) procedures, and such salary increases as may be determined appropriate by the Director and President and approved by the University (College)’s Board of ___(Regents or Trustees)____;

b) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University (College) provides generally to non-faculty exempt employees; and

c) The opportunity to receive such employee benefits as the University (College)’s Department of Athletics (Department) provides generally to its employees of a comparable level. Coach hereby agrees to abide by the terms and conditions, as now existing or hereafter amended, of such employee benefits.

3.2 Supplemental Compensation

3.2.1. Each year the Team is the conference champion or co-champion and also becomes eligible for a (bowl game pursuant to NCAA Division I guidelines or post-season tournament or post-season playoffs), and if Coach continues to be employed as University (College)’s head ___(Sport)___ coach as of the ensuing July 1st, the University (College) shall pay to Coach supplemental compensation in an amount equal to ___(amount or computation)___ of Coach’s Annual Salary during the fiscal year in which the championship and ___(bowl or other post-season)___ eligibility are achieved. The University (College) shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.

3.2.2. Each year the Team is ranked in the top 25 in the ___(national rankings, such as final ESPN/USA Today coaches poll of Division IA football teams)___, and if Coach continues to be employed as University (College)’s head ___(Sport)___ coach as of the ensuing July 1st, the University (College) shall pay Coach supplemental compensation in an amount equal to ___(amount or computation)___ of Coach’s Annual Salary during the fiscal year in which the Team is ranked in the top 25 in the ___(national rankings, such as final ESPN/USA Today coaches poll of Division IA football teams)___.
Salary in effect on the date of the final poll. The University (College) shall determine the appropriate manner in which it shall pay Coach any such supplemental compensation.

3.2.3 Each year Coach shall be eligible to receive supplemental compensation in an amount up to (amount or computation) based on the academic achievement and behavior of Team members. The determination of whether Coach will receive such supplemental compensation and the timing of the payment(s) shall be at the discretion of the President in consultation with the Director and approved by the University (College)’s Board of (Regents or Trustees). The determination shall be based on the following factors: grade point averages; difficulty of major course of study; honors such as scholarships, designation as Academic All-American, and conference academic recognition; progress toward graduation for all athletes, but particularly those who entered the University (College) as academically at-risk students; the conduct of Team members on the University (College) campus, at authorized University (College) activities, in the community, and elsewhere. Any such supplemental compensation paid to Coach shall be accompanied with a detailed justification for the supplemental compensation based on the factors listed above and such justification shall be separately reported to the Board of (Regents or Trustees) as a document available to the public under the Idaho Public Records Act.

3.2.4 Each year Coach shall be eligible to receive supplemental compensation in an amount up to (amount or computation) based on the overall development of the intercollegiate (men's/women's) (Sport) program; ticket sales; fundraising; outreach by Coach to various constituency groups, including University (College) students, staff, faculty, alumni and boosters; and any other factors the President wishes to consider. The determination of whether Coach will receive such supplemental compensation and the timing of the payment(s) shall be at the discretion of the President in consultation with the Director and approved by the University (College)’s Board of (Regents or Trustees).

3.2.5 The Coach shall receive the sum of (amount or computation) from the University (College) or the University (College)’s designated media outlet(s) or a combination thereof each year during the term of this Agreement in compensation for participation in media programs and public appearances (Programs). Coach’s right to receive such a payment shall vest on the date of the Team’s last regular season or post-season competition, whichever occurs later. This sum shall be paid (terms or conditions of payment). Agreements requiring the Coach to participate in Programs related to his duties as an employee of University (College) are the property of the University (College). The University (College) shall have the exclusive right to negotiate and contract with all producers of media productions and all parties desiring public appearances by the Coach. Coach agrees to cooperate with the University (College) in order for the Programs to be successful and agrees to provide his services to and perform on the Programs and to cooperate in their production, broadcasting, and telecasting. It is understood that neither Coach nor any assistant coaches shall appear without the prior written approval of the Director on any competing radio or television program (including but not limited to a coach’s show, call-in show, or interview show) or
a regularly scheduled news segment, except that this prohibition shall not apply to routine news media interviews for which no compensation is received. Without the prior written approval of the Director, Coach shall not appear in any commercial endorsements which are broadcast on radio or television that conflict with those broadcast on the University (College)'s designated media outlets.

3.2.6 (SUMMER CAMP—OPERATED BY UNIVERSITY (COLLEGE)) Coach agrees that the University (College) has the exclusive right to operate youth (Sport) camps on its campus using University (College) facilities. The University (College) shall allow Coach the opportunity to earn supplemental compensation by assisting with the University (College)'s camps in Coach's capacity as a University (College) employee. Coach hereby agrees to assist in the marketing, supervision, and general administration of the University (College)'s football camps. Coach also agrees that Coach will perform all obligations mutually agreed upon by the parties. In exchange for Coach's participation in the University (College)'s summer football camps, the University (College) shall pay Coach (amount) per year as supplemental compensation during each year of his employment as head (Sport) coach at the University (College). This amount shall be paid (terms of payment).

(SUMMER CAMP—OPERATED BY COACH) Coach may operate a summer youth (Sport) camp at the University (College) under the following conditions:

a) The summer youth camp operation reflects positively on the University (College) and the Department;

b) The summer youth camp is operated by Coach directly or through a private enterprise owned and managed by Coach. The Coach shall not use University (College) personnel, equipment, or facilities without the prior written approval of the Director;

c) Assistant coaches at the University (College) are given priority when the Coach or the private enterprise selects coaches to participate;

d) The Coach complies with all NCAA (NAIA), Conference, and University (College) rules and regulations related, directly or indirectly, to the operation of summer youth camps;

e) The Coach or the private enterprise enters into a contract with University (College) and _________ (campus concessionaire) for all campus goods and services required by the camp.
f) The Coach or private enterprise pays for use of University (College) facilities including the __________.

g) Within thirty days of the last day of the summer youth camp(s), Coach shall submit to the Director a preliminary "Camp Summary Sheet" containing financial and other information related to the operation of the camp. Within ninety days of the last day of the summer youth camp(s), Coach shall submit to Director a final accounting and "Camp Summary Sheet." A copy of the "Camp Summary Sheet" is attached to this Agreement as an exhibit.

h) The Coach or the private enterprise shall provide proof of liability insurance as follows: (1) liability coverage: spectator and staff--$1 million; (2) catastrophic coverage: camper and staff--$1 million maximum coverage with $100 deductible;

i) To the extent permitted by law, the Coach or the private enterprise shall defend and indemnify the University (College) against any claims, damages, or liabilities arising out of the operation of the summer youth camp(s)

j) All employees of the summer youth camp(s) shall be employees of the Coach or the private enterprise and not the University (College) while engaged in camp activities. The Coach and all other University (College) employees involved in the operation of the camp(s) shall be on annual leave status or leave without pay during the days the camp is in operation. The Coach or private enterprise shall provide workers' compensation insurance in accordance with Idaho law and comply in all respects with all federal and state wage and hour laws.

In the event of termination of this Agreement, suspension, or reassignment, University (College) shall not be under any obligation to permit a summer youth camp to be held by the Coach after the effective date of such termination, suspension, or reassignment, and the University (College) shall be released from all obligations relating thereto.

3.2.7 Coach agrees that the University (College) has the exclusive right to select footwear, apparel and/or equipment for the use of its student-athletes and staff, including Coach, during official practices and games and during times when Coach or the Team is being filmed by motion picture or video camera or posing for photographs in their capacity as representatives of University (College). Coach recognizes that the University (College) is negotiating or has entered into an agreement with ___(Company Name)___ to supply the University (College) with athletic footwear, apparel and/or
equipment. Coach agrees that, upon the University (College)’s reasonable request, Coach will consult with appropriate parties concerning an (Company Name) product’s design or performance, shall act as an instructor at a clinic sponsored in whole or in part by (Company Name), or give a lecture at an event sponsored in whole or in part by (Company Name), or make other educationally-related appearances as may be reasonably requested by the University (College). Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, Coach shall retain the right to decline such appearances as Coach reasonably determines to conflict with or hinder his duties and obligations as head (Sport) coach. In order to avoid entering into an agreement with a competitor of (Company Name), Coach shall submit all outside consulting agreements to the University (College) for review and approval prior to execution. Coach shall also report such outside income to the University (College) in accordance with NCAA (or NAIA) rules. Coach further agrees that Coach will not endorse any athletic footwear, apparel and/or equipment products, including (Company Name), and will not participate in any messages or promotional appearances which contain a comparative or qualitative description of athletic footwear, apparel or equipment products.

3.3 General Conditions of Compensation. All compensation provided by the University (College) to Coach is subject to deductions and withholdings as required by law or the terms and conditions of any fringe benefit in which Coach participates. However, if any fringe benefit is based in whole or in part upon the compensation provided by the University (College) to Coach, such fringe benefit shall be based only on the compensation provided pursuant to section 3.1.1, except to the extent required by the terms and conditions of a specific fringe benefit program.

ARTICLE 4

4.1. Coach’s Specific Duties and Responsibilities. In consideration of the compensation specified in this Agreement, Coach, in addition to the obligations set forth elsewhere in this Agreement, shall:

4.1.1. Devote Coach’s full time and best efforts to the performance of Coach’s duties under this Agreement;

4.1.2. Develop and implement programs and procedures with respect to the evaluation, recruitment, training, and coaching of Team members which enable them to compete successfully and reasonably protect their health, safety, and well-being;

4.1.3. Observe and uphold all academic standards, requirements, and policies of the University (College) and encourage Team members to perform to their highest academic potential and to graduate in a timely manner; and

4.1.4. Know, recognize, and comply with all applicable laws and the policies, rules and regulations of the University (College), the University (College)’s
governing board, the conference, and the NCAA (or NAIA); supervise and take appropriate steps to ensure that Coach’s assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, and the members of the Team know, recognize, and comply with all such laws, policies, rules and regulations; and immediately report to the Director and to the Department's Director of Compliance if Coach has reasonable cause to believe that any person or entity, including without limitation representatives of the University (College)’s athletic interests, has violated or is likely to violate any such laws, policies, rules or regulations. Coach shall cooperate fully with the University (College) and Department at all times. The names or titles of employees whom Coach supervises are attached as Exhibit C. The applicable laws, policies, rules, and regulations include: (a) State Board of Education and Board of Regents of the University of Idaho Governing Policies and Procedures and Rule Manual; (b) University (College)'s Handbook; (c) University (College)'s Administrative Procedures Manual; (d) the policies of the Department; (e) NCAA (or NAIA) rules and regulations; and (f) the rules and regulations of the __Sport__ conference of which the University (College) is a member.

4.2 Outside Activities. Coach shall not undertake any business, professional or personal activities, or pursuits that would prevent Coach from devoting Coach’s full time and best efforts to the performance of Coach’s duties under this Agreement, that would otherwise detract from those duties in any manner, or that, in the opinion of the University (College), would reflect adversely upon the University (College) or its athletic program. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, Coach may, with the prior written approval of the Director, who may consult with the President, enter into separate arrangements for outside activities and endorsements which are consistent with Coach’s obligations under this Agreement. Coach may not use the University (College)’s name, logos, or trademarks in connection with any such arrangements without the prior written approval of the Director and the President.

4.3 NCAA (or NAIA) Rules. In accordance with NCAA (or NAIA) rules, Coach shall obtain prior written approval from the University (College)’s President for all athletically related income and benefits from sources outside the University (College) and shall report the source and amount of all such income and benefits to the University (College)’s President whenever reasonably requested, but in no event less than annually before the close of business on June 30th of each year or the last regular University (College) work day preceding June 30th. The report shall be in a format reasonably satisfactory to University (College). In no event shall Coach accept or receive directly or indirectly any monies, benefits, or gratuities whatsoever from any person, association, corporation, University (College) booster club, University (College) alumni association, University (College) foundation, or other benefactor, if the acceptance or receipt of the monies, benefits, or gratuities would violate applicable law or the policies, rules, and regulations of the University (College), the University (College)’s governing board, the conference, or the NCAA (or NAIA).

4.4 Hiring Authority. Coach shall have the responsibility and the sole authority to recommend to the Director the hiring and termination of assistant coaches for the
Team, but the decision to hire or terminate an assistant coach shall be made by the Director and shall, when necessary or appropriate, be subject to the approval of President and the University (College)’s Board of (Trustees or Regents).

4.5 Scheduling. Coach shall consult with, and may make recommendations to, the Director or the Director's designee with respect to the scheduling of Team competitions, but the final decision shall be made by the Director or the Director's designee.

4.7 Other Coaching Opportunities. Coach shall not, under any circumstances, interview for, negotiate for, or accept employment as a coach at any other institution of higher education or with any professional sports team, requiring performance of duties prior to the expiration of this Agreement, without the prior approval of the Director. Such approval shall not unreasonably be withheld.

ARTICLE 5

5.1 Termination of Coach for Cause. The University (College) may, in its discretion, suspend Coach from some or all of Coach’s duties, temporarily or permanently, and with or without pay; reassign Coach to other duties; or terminate this Agreement at any time for good or adequate cause, as those terms are defined in applicable rules and regulations.

5.1.1 In addition to the definitions contained in applicable rules and regulations, University (College) and Coach hereby specifically agree that the following shall constitute good or adequate cause for suspension, reassignment, or termination of this Agreement:

   a) A deliberate or major violation of Coach’s duties under this agreement or the refusal or unwillingness of Coach to perform such duties in good faith and to the best of Coach’s abilities;

   b) The failure of Coach to remedy any violation of any of the terms of this agreement within 30 days after written notice from the University (College);

   c) A deliberate or major violation by Coach of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University (College), the University (College)’s governing board, the conference or the NCAA (NAIA), including but not limited to any such violation which may have occurred during the employment of Coach at another NCAA or NAIA member institution;

   d) Ten (10) working days' absence of Coach from duty without the University (College)’s consent;
e) Any conduct of Coach that constitutes moral turpitude or that would, in the University (College)’s judgment, reflect adversely on the University (College) or its athletic programs;

f) The failure of Coach to represent the University (College) and its athletic programs positively in public and private forums;

g) The failure of Coach to fully and promptly cooperate with the NCAA (NAIA) or the University (College) in any investigation of possible violations of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University (College), the University (College)’s governing board, the conference, or the NCAA (NAIA);

h) The failure of Coach to report a known violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University (College), the University (College)’s governing board, the conference, or the NCAA (NAIA), by one of Coach’s assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team; or

i) A violation of any applicable law or the policies, rules or regulations of the University (College), the University (College)’s governing board, the conference, or the NCAA (NAIA), by one of Coach’s assistant coaches, any other employees for whom Coach is administratively responsible, or a member of the Team if Coach knew or should have known of the violation and could have prevented it by ordinary supervision.

5.1.2 Suspension, reassignment, or termination for good or adequate cause shall be effectuated by the University (College) as follows: before the effective date of the suspension, reassignment, or termination, the Director or his designee shall provide Coach with notice, which notice shall be accomplished in the manner provided for in this Agreement and shall include the reason(s) for the contemplated action. Coach shall then have an opportunity to respond. After Coach responds or fails to respond, University (College) shall notify Coach whether, and if so when, the action will be effective.

5.1.3 In the event of any termination for good or adequate cause, the University (College)’s obligation to provide compensation and benefits to Coach, whether direct, indirect, supplemental or collateral, shall cease as of the date of such termination, and the University (College) shall not be liable for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or other benefits, perquisites, or income resulting from outside activities or from any other sources.

5.1.4 If found in violation of NCAA (NAIA) regulations, Coach shall, in addition to the provisions of Section 5.1, be subject to disciplinary or corrective action as
set forth in the provisions of the NCAA (NAIA) enforcement procedures. This section applies to violations occurring at the University (College) or at previous institutions at which the Coach was employed.

5.2 Termination of Coach for Convenience of University (College).

5.2.1 At any time after commencement of this Agreement, University (College), for its own convenience, may terminate this Agreement by giving ten (10) days prior written notice to Coach.

5.2.2 In the event that University (College) terminates this Agreement for its own convenience, University (College) shall be obligated to pay Coach, as liquidated damages and not a penalty, the salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a), excluding all deductions required by law, on the regular paydays of University (College) until the term of this Agreement ends; provided, however, in the event Coach obtains other employment of any kind or nature after such termination, then the amount of compensation the University pays will be adjusted and reduced by the amount of compensation paid Coach as a result of such other employment, such adjusted compensation to be calculated for each University pay-period by reducing the gross salary set forth in section 3.1.1(a) (before deductions required by law) by the gross compensation paid to Coach under the other employment, then subtracting from this adjusted gross compensation deduction according to law. In addition, Coach will be entitled to continue his health insurance plan and group life insurance as if he remained a University (College) employee until the term of this Agreement ends or until Coach obtains employment or any other employment providing Coach with a reasonably comparable health plan and group life insurance, whichever occurs first. Coach shall be entitled to no other compensation or fringe benefits, except as otherwise provided herein or required by law. Coach specifically agrees to inform University within ten business days of obtaining other employment, and to advise University of all relevant terms of such employment, including without limitation the nature and location of employment, salary, other compensation, health insurance benefits, life insurance benefits, and other fringe benefits. Failure to so inform and advise University shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement and University’s obligation to pay compensation under this provision shall end. Coach agrees not to accept employment for compensation at less than the fair value of Coach’s services, as determined by all circumstances existing at the time of employment. Coach further agrees to repay to University all compensation paid to him by University after the date he obtains other employment, to which he is not entitled under this provision.

5.2.3 The parties have both been represented by legal counsel in the contract negotiations and have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing liquidated damages provision, giving consideration to the fact that the Coach may lose certain benefits, supplemental compensation, or outside compensation relating to his employment with University (College), which damages are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such liquidated damages by University (College) and the acceptance thereof by Coach shall constitute
adequate and reasonable compensation to Coach for the damages and injury suffered by Coach because of such termination by University (College). The liquidated damages are not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty.

5.3 Termination by Coach for Convenience.

5.3.1 The Coach recognizes that his promise to work for University (College) for the entire term of this Agreement is of the essence of this Agreement. The Coach also recognizes that the University (College) is making a highly valuable investment in his employment by entering into this Agreement and that its investment would be lost were he to resign or otherwise terminate his employment with the University (College) before the end of the contract term.

5.3.2 The Coach, for his own convenience, may terminate this Agreement during its term by giving prior written notice to the University (College). Termination shall be effective ten (10) days after notice is given to the University (College).

5.3.3 If the Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience at any time, all obligations of the University (College) shall cease as of the effective date of the termination. If the Coach terminates this Agreement for his convenience he shall pay to the University (College), as liquidated damages and not a penalty, for the breach of this Agreement the following sum: (a) if the Agreement is terminated on or before __________, the sum of $30,000.00; (b) if the Agreement is terminated between __________ and __________ inclusive, the sum of $20,000.00; (c) if the Agreement is terminated between ___________ and __________ inclusive, the sum of $10,000.00. The liquidated damages shall be due and payable within twenty (20) days of the effective date of the termination, and any unpaid amount shall bear simple interest at a rate eight (8) percent per annum until paid.

5.3.4 The parties have both been represented by legal counsel in the contract negotiations and have bargained for and agreed to the foregoing liquidated damages provision, giving consideration to the fact that the University (College) will incur administrative and recruiting costs in obtaining a replacement for Coach, in addition to potentially increased compensation costs if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, which damages are extremely difficult to determine with certainty. The parties further agree that the payment of such liquidated damages by Coach and the acceptance thereof by University (College) shall constitute adequate and reasonable compensation to University (College) for the damages and injury suffered by it because of such termination by Coach. The liquidated damages are not, and shall not be construed to be, a penalty. This section 5.3.4 shall not apply if Coach terminates this Agreement because of a material breach by the University (College).
5.3.5 Except as provide elsewhere in this Agreement, if Coach terminates this Agreement for convenience, he shall forfeit to the extent permitted by law his right to receive all supplemental compensation and other payments.

5.4 **Termination due to Disability or Death of Coach.**

5.4.1 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, this Agreement shall terminate automatically if Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University (College)'s disability insurance carrier, becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, or dies.

5.4.2 If this Agreement is terminated because of Coach's death, Coach's salary and all other benefits shall terminate as of the last day worked, except that the Coach's personal representative or other designated beneficiary shall be paid all compensation due or unpaid and death benefits, if any, as may be contained in any fringe benefit plan now in force or hereafter adopted by the University (College) and due to the Coach's estate or beneficiaries thereunder.

5.4.3 If this Agreement is terminated because the Coach becomes totally or permanently disabled as defined by the University (College)'s disability insurance carrier, or becomes unable to perform the essential functions of the position of head coach, all salary and other benefits shall terminate, except that the Coach shall be entitled to receive any compensation due or unpaid and any disability-related benefits to which he is entitled by virtue of employment with the University (College).

5.5 **Interference by Coach.** In the event of termination, suspension, or reassignment, Coach agrees that Coach will not interfere with the University (College)'s student-athletes or otherwise obstruct the University (College)'s ability to transact business or operate its intercollegiate athletics program.

5.7 **No Liability.** The University (College) shall not be liable to Coach for the loss of any collateral business opportunities or any other benefits, perquisites or income from any sources that may ensue as a result of any termination of this Agreement by either party or due to death or disability or the suspension or reassignment of Coach, regardless of the circumstances.

5.8 **Waiver of Rights.** Because the Coach is receiving a multi-year contract and the opportunity to receive supplemental compensation and because such contracts and opportunities are not customarily afforded to University (College) employees, if the University (College) suspends or reassigns Coach, or terminates this Agreement for good or adequate cause or for convenience, Coach shall have all the rights provided for in this Agreement but hereby releases the University (College) from compliance with the notice, appeal, and similar employment-related rights provide for in the State Board of Education and Board or Regents of the University of Idaho Rule Manual (IDAPA 08).
and Governing Policies and Procedures Manual, and the University (College) Faculty-Staff Handbook.

ARTICLE 6

6.1 Board Approval. This Agreement shall not be effective until and unless approved of the University (College)'s Board of (Regents or Trustees) and executed by both parties as set forth below. In addition, the payment of any compensation pursuant to this agreement shall be subject to the approval of the University (College)'s Board of (Regents or Trustees), the President, and the Director; the sufficiency of legislative appropriations; the receipt of sufficient funds in the account from which such compensation is paid; and the Board of (Regents or Trustees) and University (College)'s rules regarding financial exigency.

6.2 University (College) Property. All personal property (excluding vehicle(s) provided through the _________ program), material, and articles of information, including, without limitation, keys, credit cards, personnel records, recruiting records, team information, films, statistics or any other personal property, material, or data, furnished to Coach by the University (College) or developed by Coach on behalf of the University (College) or at the University (College)'s direction or for the University (College)'s use or otherwise in connection with Coach’s employment hereunder are and shall remain the sole property of the University (College). Within twenty-four (24) hours of the expiration of the term of this agreement or its earlier termination as provided herein, Coach shall immediately cause any such personal property, materials, and articles of information in Coach’s possession or control to be delivered to the Director.

6.3 Assignment. Neither party may assign its rights or delegate its obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other party.

6.4 Waiver. No waiver of any default in the performance of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing and signed by the waiving party. The waiver of a particular breach in the performance of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other or subsequent breach. The resort to a particular remedy upon a breach shall not constitute a waiver of any other available remedies.

6.5 Severability. If any provision of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected and shall remain in effect.

6.6 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be subject to and construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Idaho as an agreement to be performed in Idaho. Any action based in whole or in part on this Agreement shall be brought in the courts of the state of Idaho.
6.7 **Oral Promises.** Oral promises of an increase in annual salary or of any supplemental or other compensation shall not be binding upon the University (College).

6.8 **Force Majeure.** Any prevention, delay or stoppage due to strikes, lockouts, labor disputes, acts of God, inability to obtain labor or materials or reasonable substitutes therefor, governmental restrictions, governmental regulations, governmental controls, enemy or hostile governmental action, civil commotion, fire or other casualty, and other causes beyond the reasonable control of the party obligated to perform (including financial inability), shall excuse the performance by such party for a period equal to any such prevention, delay or stoppage.

6.9 **Confidentiality.** The Coach hereby consents and agrees that this document may be released and made available to the public after it is signed by the Coach. The Coach further agrees that all documents and reports he is required to produce under this Agreement may be released and made available to the public at the University (College)'s sole discretion.

6.10 **Notices.** Any notice under this Agreement shall be in writing and be delivered in person or by public or private courier service (including U.S. Postal Service Express Mail) or certified mail with return receipt requested or by facsimile. All notices shall be addressed to the parties at the following addresses or at such other addresses as the parties may from time to time direct in writing:

- the **University (College):** Director of Athletics  
  __________________  
  __________________

- with a copy to: President  
  __________________  
  __________________

- the Coach:  
  __________________
  Last known address on file with  
  University (College)’s Human Resource Services

Any notice shall be deemed to have been given on the earlier of: (a) actual delivery or refusal to accept delivery, (b) the date of mailing by certified mail, or (c) the day facsimile delivery is verified. Actual notice, however and from whomever received, shall always be effective.

6.11 **Headings.** The headings contained in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation hereof.
6.12 **Binding Effect.** This Agreement is for the benefit only of the parties hereto and shall inure to the benefit of and bind the parties and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns.

6.13 **Non-Use of Names and Trademarks.** The Coach shall not, without the University (College)’s prior written consent in each case, use any name, trade name, trademark, or other designation of the University (College) (including contraction, abbreviation or simulation), except in the course and scope of his official University (College) duties.

6.14 **No Third Party Beneficiaries.** There are no intended or unintended third party beneficiaries to this Agreement.

6.15 **Entire Agreement; Amendments.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings with respect to the same subject matter. No amendment or modification of this Agreement shall be effective unless in writing, signed by both parties, and approved by University (College)’s Board of (Regents or Trustees).

6.16 **Opportunity to Consult with Attorney.** The Coach acknowledges that he has had the opportunity to consult and review this Agreement with an attorney. Accordingly, in all cases, the language of this Agreement shall be construed simply, according to its fair meaning, and not strictly for or against any party.

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**UNIVERSITY (COLLEGE)**

_________________________  ________________________________

, President    Date                                  Date

Approved by the Board of (Regents or Trustees) on the ___ day of _____________, 2010.
SUBJECT
Board policy I.N. – Miscellaneous Provisions

REFERENCE
February 2010 Board approved second reading of I.N. regarding timely submission and payment of honorariums and reimbursements

APPLICABLE STATUTES, RULE OR POLICY
Idaho State Board of Education Governing Policies & Procedures, Section I.N.
Idaho Code §33-104
Idaho Code §59-509(h)

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION
Idaho Code sections 33-104 and 59-509(h) provides that Board members shall receive $50 for each day spent in the actual performance of duties. The Office has historically paid partial honorariums of $25 per day when Board members perform official duties for less than four hours on a given day, but Code is silent with regard to proration of the daily rate.

IMPACT
The proposed amendments would codify the current practice of prorating honorarium payments.

ATTACHMENTS
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STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
During the last legislative audit of the Office of the State Board of Education, the auditors made a recommendation, as part of an audit update, “that the Office comply with Idaho Code, Section 59-509(h) by compensating board members the full daily honorarium when official duties are performed.” This was one of two informal recommendations which the auditors stated “could improve internal control, compliance, and efficiency.” There were no formal findings or recommendations in the final audit report.

The issue of prorating honorarium is not a case of first impression. Other agencies with governing or oversight boards or commissions have also had to make a determination on how to handle payment of honorarium for a partial day spent in the actual performance of duties. In reviewing the matter with Board counsel, the recommendation was to clarify Board policy so in the future the Office can point auditors to a Board-approved policy and process.
BOARD ACTION

I move to approve the first reading of proposed amendments to Board policy section I.N., Miscellaneous Provisions, with all revisions as presented.

Moved by_____________ Seconded by_______________ Carried Yes____ No____
Honorary and Reimbursement for Actual and Necessary Expenses

State Board members, Public Charter School commissioners, and staff of either entity shall submit claims for honoraria and reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses in the fiscal year in which they were incurred. Board members and commissioners shall be entitled to an honorarium in the amount of $50 per day when performing official duties, provided that if less than four (4) hours is spent on official duties, the honorarium will be $25. Board members and commissioners shall submit claims for honorarium compensation as provided in section 59-509(h), Idaho Code. Likewise, all liabilities relating to said claims shall be satisfied submitted and paid in the fiscal year in which they were incurred. Claims which are not submitted in accordance with this policy will may be denied.