The main item of business in the conference this past year was the passage on a 10-0 vote by member schools of a comprehensive sports schedule plan that sets Midwest Conference contest limits to about 80-90% of NCAA Division III limits. The proposal also carries with it a five-year moratorium on increases in contest limits or lengths of seasons.

The conference established a student-athlete advisory committee that will consist of two representatives from each school, one male athlete and one female athlete. This committee will advise faculty representatives in legislative matters and serve as a communication link between the athletes and the athletics and faculty representatives.

In the spring, the faculty representatives passed, on a first reading, a proposal that allows some relaxation in how coaches may interact with athletes and their parents or coaches off campus. I plan to bring this proposal to the faculty for discussion this fall.