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CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University Athletic Director R. C. Johnson has been appointed to the NCAA I-AA Central Region football advisory committee.

Johnson will assist with the weekly rankings of the 90 plus teams eligible for the I-AA football tournament system.

Beanie Cooper, athletic director at Indiana State, is the Central Region chairman. The third advisory committee member is Sonny Moran from Morehead State in Kentucky.

Beginning the week of September 23, these three will rank the top five teams in the Central Division, and then the top 20 in the nation.

From there Cooper confers with three other regional chairmen and Jerry Miles of the NCAA office to compile the official NCAA poll, and ultimately select the 12 teams that will compete for the national championship.

EIU is one of 16 teams in the Central Region. Six of the 12 tournament spots will automatically be awarded to conference champs from the Big Sky, Ohio Valley, Southern, Southland, Yankee and Southwestern conferences. The top two independents and four at-large teams will also receive bids.

In order to receive a tournament bid, the Panthers must qualify as either an at-large team or one of the top two ranked independents.

The championship game will be played on December 21 at the Tacoma Dome in Tacoma, WA. The first round, quarterfinal and semifinal games will be played at sites of participating teams on November 30, December 7 and 14. The top four ranked teams will receive first round byes. Montana State is the defending champ having defeated Louisiana Tech, 19-6, in last year's title game.