REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN’S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE
AUGUST 20, 2019, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

• None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Welcome, introductions and announcements. Diane Turnham and Lynn Holzman began the meeting, noting the absence of six committee members, thus requiring voting items to be held for a future teleconference or meeting.

2. NCAA Division I Women’s Basketball Committee meeting report. This agenda item will be moved to a future meeting for approval due to lack of committee member attendance.

3. Vice president update. Ms. Holzman updated the group on playing rules requests regarding technology on the bench. She noted communications from NCAA staff with media and potential host cities regarding the new two-site regional format beginning in 2023. Ms. Holzman reviewed notes from the quarterly update sent to membership this week that include hot topics, strategic plan updates and championship changes moving into the start of the academic year.

4. Review and preparation for mock selections. Rick Nixon reviewed the agenda, timing and process for the mock selection exercise the following day.

5. NCAA Division I Women’s Basketball Oversight Committee (WBOC) update. Ms. Holzman reviewed actions and progress with the WBOC. The WBOC approved the two-site regional format following the committee’s July meeting. The WBOC will begin to review finances of the championship, focusing to grant requests and one-time budget requests from outside entities, to ensure women’s basketball is adhering to the budget cycle and allowing the membership to help prioritize spending. The WBOC recently granted a waiver request from USA Basketball for the national team to play collegiate teams as part of exhibition games in preparation for 2020 Olympic games in Tokyo.

6. Review of two-site regional schedules. Rachel Kay presented two schedule models for the two-site regional format that will begin in 2023. Select previous host venues have provided feedback as to the opportunities and challenges on both models. The committee will vote as to which schedule to move forward with at a future meeting.

7. 2020 Championship update. Amy Reis and Ms. Kay reviewed planning progress and site visits thus far regarding regional hosts and the 2020 Women’s Final Four.
8. **Future meetings and teleconferences.** Meredith Cleaver reviewed the schedule of future meetings.

9. **Other business.**

   Additional consideration for the selection, seeding and bracketing principles and procedures. Ms. Cleaver reviewed additional considerations for the selection, seeding and bracketing principles and procedures to follow-up on their discussion from the July meeting. The following were added as additional considerations and the committee will vote to approve these at a future meeting:

   - For selection: “At any time, the chair may call for a review of teams on the holding board. A majority of eligible votes can remove or add teams from the holding board. Teams that have been removed from the holding board will return to the At-Large Nomination board.

   - For seeding: “At any time, the chair may call for a review of teams on the holding board. A majority of eligible votes can remove or add teams from the holding board. Teams that have been removed from the holding board will return to the Not Seeded board.”

   a. **Regular season top 16 reveals.** The committee reviewed proposed top 16 reveal dates from ESPN for the coming season. The February 3 and March 2 proposed dates are during ESPN’s Big Monday broadcasts, but both include UConn games. The committee asked ESPN for other options for the second reveal.

10. **Adjournment.** Ms. Turnham adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

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**Committee Chair:** Diane Turnham, Middle Tennessee State University; Conference USA

**Staff Liaison(s):**

Lynn Holzman, Championships and Alliances

Meredith Cleaver, Championships and Alliances

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Ken Bothof, University of Northern Kentucky; Horizon League.
DeJuena Chizer, University of Houston; American Athletic Conference.
Nina King, Duke University; Atlantic Coast Conference.
Teresa Phillips, Tennessee State University; Ohio Valley Conference.
Tamica Smith Jones, University of California, Riverside; Big West Conference.

Guests in Attendance:
Beth Goetz, Ball State University; Mid-American Conference.
Jill Shields, Kansas State University; Big 12 Conference.

NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Meredith Cleaver, Lynn Holzman.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Lynne Andrew, Rachel Kay, Kelsi Mahoney, Daress McClung, Rick Nixon, Amy Reis, Natalie Steger.