REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S SOCCER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 11, 2026, VIDEOCONFERENCE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

- **None**.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **Committee Orientation.** The NCAA Division I Women's Soccer Oversight Committee received an orientation from NCAA staff that covered committee member responsibilities and expectations, committee policies and procedures, committee meeting material locations, key dates for serving on the committee, and other important information about committee service.

2. **Membership survey on the implementation of NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2024-62.** The committee reviewed a draft membership survey designed to gather feedback from NCAA Division I women's soccer student-athletes, coaches and sport administrators regarding the implementation of Proposal No. 2024-62. The committee recommended edits and identified additional items for potential inclusion. The committee will review and finalize the survey electronically. Survey distribution to the membership is intended for early October.

3. **National Women's Soccer League (NWSL) Combine Discussion.**

    a. **NCAA Division I coach involvement in the NWSL Combine.** The committee reviewed and discussed a request from the NWSL to consider a blanket legislative relief waiver to permit NCAA Division I women's soccer coaches to engage in coaching activities with prospective student-athletes and student-athletes at the 2026 NWSL Combine. The committee did not take action on the request for legislative relief due to concerns about potential recruiting advantages.

    b. **NCAA Division I student-athlete participation at the NWSL Combine.** The committee supported a recommendation to permit a Division I women's soccer student-athlete to participate in the NWSL combine, noting similar legislation in DI men's soccer. In addition, the committee recommended a restriction to prohibit a DI women's soccer student-athlete from participating in a NWSL combine which occurs prior to the conclusion of the NCAA Division I Women's Soccer championship game.

4. **Review of the NCAA Division I Women's Soccer Oversight Committee's electronic action to expand Proposal Nos. 2026-48 and 2026-54 to apply to women's soccer.** The committee received an update on its electronic action related to Proposal Nos. 2026-48 and 2026-54. The committee supported the inclusion of women's soccer in Proposal No. 2026-48 and recommended the NCAA Division I Cabinet adopt expedited legislation to eliminate

the four-hour limitation on skill instruction outside the playing season in women's soccer, similar to Proposal No. 2026-54.

5. **Intercollegiate Women's Soccer Organization for Coaches (IWSOC) legislative concepts.** The committee received an update from the IWSOC regarding potential legislative recommendations based on the results of a survey distributed to Division I women's soccer coaches by the IWSOC.

6. **Approve NCAA Division I Women's Soccer Oversight Committee July 20 meeting report.** The committee approved its July 20 meeting report.

Committee Chair: *Brandi Stuart, Pennsylvania State University, Big Ten Conference.*
Staff Liaison(s): *Jejuan Bowser, Division I Governance and Member Services.*
Abigail Markey, Division I Governance and Member Services.
Alyssa Rice, Championships and Alliances.
Shelby Sonnefeldt, Division I Governance and Member Services.
Sara Thurber, Division I Governance and Member Services.

NCAA Division I Women's Soccer Oversight Committee September 11, 2026, Videoconference
Attendees:
Samar Azem, Villanova University.
Sara Bower, University of Akron.
Laura Cannon, University of Incarnate Word.
John Collins, NCAA National Coordinator of Officials.
G Guerrieri, Intercollegiate Women's Soccer Organization for Coaches.
Lizzie Heller, Georgetown University.
Ryan Higginbotham, Texas Christian University.
Cayla Jackson, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
Kat Mertz, University of California, Davis.
Janet Oberle, Saint Louis University.
Todd Plourde, Iona University.
Eddie Radwanski, Clemson University.
Stephanie Ransom, University of Georgia.
Thad Satre, Loyola Marymount University.
Brandi Stuart, Pennsylvania State University.
Peyton Whipple, University of Arkansas.
Absentees:
Nathan Fry, Harvard University.
Rich Grady, NCAA Secretary-Rules Editor.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Jejuan Bowser, Abigail Markey, Alyssa Rice, Shelby Sonnefeldt and Sara Thurber.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Stanley Broaden, Jackie Kawamoto and Jobrina Marques.