

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE DECEMBER 11, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

<u>INFORMATIONAL ITEMS</u>.

- 1. Broadcast update. NCAA staff recapped the ESPN+ and Cracked Racquets coverage of the fall singles and doubles championships. NCAA staff will work with all parties to ensure more testing before the first day of competition and will review options for international viewing with ESPN. The committee applauded the Cracked Racquets coverage. NCAA staff also reviewed initial plans for ESPN coverage for the team championships in the spring.
- **2. Competition Oversight Committee update.** The committee reviewed and affirmed its Oct.9 meeting report and recommendation back to the Competition Oversight Committee for selection penalties for exceeding countable contest limits. The new Sports Oversight Committee will review the recommendation at its January meeting.
- 3. Fall individual championships.
 - a. **Pathway recap.** The committee reviewed feedback from recent ITA coaches calls regarding the qualifying pathway events, including dates of competition, dates of the tournaments, playing out tournaments after the qualifying rounds, order of the tournaments and seeding.
 - **b. Selection and seeding.** The committee reviewed feedback on the seeding process, including brainstorming some additional options for seeding.
 - **c. Host recap/spring planning.** The committee applauded the efforts of the Baylor University staff for hosting the inaugural fall singles and doubles championships. The committee noted some feedback to enhance the banquet in the future but highlighted the high-level of hospitality and student-athlete experience provided.
 - **d.** Evaluation. The committee agreed to collaborate with the ITA on a survey to evaluate the fall pathways and championships with a focus on improvements for next year. After the spring season, the committee will follow up with an additional survey to gauge feedback on the full season. The committee will continue to gather and review other metrics for evaluation of the fall pilot.
- **4.** Equipment supplier. NCAA staff provided an update on the equipment supplier RFP process.
- **5. Future meetings.** The committee will meet Wednesday, Jan. 15.

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Staff Liaisons: John E. Bugner, Championships and Alliances

Jennifer Mervar, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees:

Vince Baldemor, University of Hawaii, Manoa.

Chad Camper, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

Leslie Chang, University of the Pacific.

Rochelle Houston, Florida A&M University.

George Husack, University of Alabama.

Courtney Nagle, University of Oregon.

Peter Pilling, Columbia University-Barnard College.

Alison Silverio, Notre Dame University.

Taylor Stapleton, DePaul University.

Paul Wardlaw, University of Denver.

Chris Young, Oklahoma State University.

Absentees:

Jimmy Borendame, Middle Tennessee State University.

Guests in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

John E. Bugner, Championships and Alliances.

Jennifer Mervar, Championships and Alliances.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Kerstin Hunter and Kristen Jacob Smith.