



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I WRESTLING COMMITTEE
APRIL 14-15, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

KEY ITEMS.

- **None.**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Approval of automatic-qualifying conferences.**
 - (1) Recommendation. That the following conferences be awarded one automatic qualification (AQ) spot for each of the 10 weight classes to the 2021 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships: Atlantic Coast Conference; Big Ten Conference; Big 12 Conference; Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association; Mid-American Conference; Pac-12 Conference; and Southern Conference.
 - (2) Effective date. 2021 championship.
 - (3) Rationale. The conferences listed meet AQ requirements. Each conference receives automatic-qualifying positions for the champion in each weight class. In addition, pre-allocated spots are awarded to conferences on behalf of the wrestlers competing in the respective conference who meet the established standard.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None.
 - (5) Student-athlete impact. The recommendation provides the seven conferences access to the 2021 championships.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Review and approval of the 2019 annual meeting report.** The NCAA Division I Wrestling Committee approved the 2019 annual meeting report as drafted.
- 2. Review of the 2020 schedule of events.** The committee decided to continue with 90-minute doors before each session, as well as continue the Wednesday practice time of 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
- 3. Review of the selection, seeding, and committee procedures.**

- a. **Cohort.** The committee decided to continue to use four wrestlers in the comparison cohort.
 - b. **Counting matches.** The committee recommends that matches against teammates shall not be considered for championship consideration.
 - c. **Rating Percentage Index (RPI) ranking versus the raw numbers and coaches' ranking.** The committee asked NCAA staff to develop a formula for the committee to consider regarding a standard deviation or variance range for the RPI.
 - d. **Voters per weight class.** The committee recommends continuing to have two voters from each conference at each weight class. This change implemented for the 2019-20 season increased data points and helped to remove outliers. The committee would recommend including the number of ranking points next to the rank of each wrestler on the comparison tool.
4. **Review of selection criteria.**
- a. **Point allocations.** The committee reviewed point allocations in the current formula and made no changes to the selection criteria or the weighted calculations.
 - b. **Quality wins.** The committee recommends including all quality wins in the comparison tool even if a wrestler has multiple wins over one wrestler.
5. **Future championship sites.** The committee reviewed the bids submitted from each site and completed a preliminary analysis.
6. **2021 annual meeting dates.** The 2021 annual meeting will again be conducted via videoconference on April 13-14.

Committee Chair: Karen Langston, California State University, Bakersfield, Pac-12 Conference
Staff Liaison: Anthony Holman, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division I Wrestling Committee April 14-15, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Matt Azevedo, Drexel University, Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association.	
Bob Burda, Big 12 Conference.	
Rob Hjerling, The Citadel, Southern Conference.	
Andy Noel, Cornell University, Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association.	
Karen Langston, California State University, Bakersfield, Pac-12 Conference.	
Matt Whisenant, University of Wyoming, Big 12 Conference.	

NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Matt Holmes, Championships and Alliances.
Anthony Holman, Championships and Alliances.
Trina Simerly, Championships and Alliances.
Other Guests in Attendance:
Jim Fallis, National Wrestling Coaches Association.
Mike Moyer, National Wrestling Coaches Association.
Pat Tocci, National Wrestling Coaches Association.
Jennifer Tuscano, University of Pittsburgh.