



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION I BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
JANUARY 11, 2024, MEETING**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Name, Image and Likeness Update.** The NCAA Division I Board of Directors received an update on the work of the NCAA Division I Council Working Group on Name, Image and Likeness. The board ratified the decision by the NCAA Division I Council to adopt NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2023-58 (Name, Image and Likeness – Student-Athlete Protections), which provides protections to student-athletes engaging in name, image and likeness activities. The board discussed issues related to the disclosure requirements and implications of nondisclosure for student-athletes related to participation in athletically related activities. The Working Group on Name, Image and Likeness will explore other potential options related to disclosure (e.g., incentives to encourage disclosure) to present to the council and board for review in April. The board also discussed the council’s introduction of a legislative proposal that addresses the role of institutions and recruiting in NIL activities. The council is expected to vote on the proposal in April. (*Unanimous voice vote.*)
  
2. **Update on Undergraduate Transfer Regulations.** The Board of Directors received an update on its charge to NCAA staff and relevant committees to make recommendations to improve the current transfer environment. The board explored potential concepts, including those under consideration by the NCAA Division I Transfer Advisory Panel. The advisory panel has discussed the importance of the notification of transfer process and the notification of transfer windows, the competition in year of transfer standard and the disciplinary suspension prohibition. The prioritization of the academic success of student-athletes should continue to remain a paramount objective and be at the center of the student-athlete experience. Additional legislative and policy alternatives include:
  - a. Aligning transfer student-athlete eligibility with progress-toward-degree requirements.
  - b. Developing a framework for an institution to demonstrate its commitment to the academic success of the transfer student-athlete.
  - c. Developing a new academic metric to measure an institution’s graduation rate for transfer student-athletes (e.g., transfer NCAA Division I Academic Progress Rate), including incentivizing retention.
  - d. Developing additional incentives for institutions to support the academic progress of all its student-athletes, including transfers.
  
3. **Final Update on Recommendations from the NCAA Division I Transformation Committee.** The Board of Directors received a final update on the work related to recommendations received from the Division I Transformation Committee, which highlighted results of each recommendation. It was noted that 10 proposals have been adopted and work continues on the development of a student-athlete survey, championship enhancements, revenue distribution and decentralization.

4. **Board of Directors Strategic Priorities.** The Board of Directors received an update on the formulation of its 2024-2027 priorities, which are intended to further the NCAA's mission of providing a world-class athletic and academic experience for student-athletes that fosters lifelong well-being. The draft priorities focus on three areas: effective governance, student-athlete engagement and support, and excellent and inclusive championships. Topics are listed for each focus area aligned with foundational goals. The board reviewed and provided preliminary feedback on the draft priorities. In addition, the board reviewed and approved the timeline for the initial start of work on the three elements of Project Division I. (*Unanimous voice vote.*)
5. **NCAA President's Report.** The Board of Directors received an update from President Charlie Baker regarding several important issues facing the Association and Division I, including Project Division I.
6. **NCAA Sport Science Institute Update.** The Board of Directors received a report regarding sports wagering activities, including [resources](#) available for the membership. In addition, the report included an update on the review and changes to the student-athlete reinstatement guidelines for sports wagering violations. Initial information was provided regarding a review of NCAA sports wagering legislation, which noted that the legislation is common for all three divisions. As such, all three divisions will be involved in the review and any changes to the legislation.
7. **Division I Board of Directors Finance Committee Update.** The Board of Directors received an update from the January 3 meeting of the Board of Directors Finance Committee. In addition to the report, the Board of Directors received an update on revenue distribution discussions regarding the funding of the newly proposed Women's Basketball Performance Fund.
8. **NCAA Division I Board Infractions Process Committee Update.** The Board of Directors received an update regarding recent meetings of the Infractions Process Committee.
9. **Sports Wagering Update.** The Board of Directors received a report from NCAA staff regarding sports wagering activities, including sharing [resources](#) available for the membership. In addition to the report, the board received an update on the efforts to review NCAA legislation and reinstatement guidelines related to sports wagering and student-athlete involvement with the intent to modernize the penalty structure.
10. **Division I Council Update.** The Board of Directors received an update regarding the January 10 Division I Council meeting, including a summary of legislation that was adopted.
11. **NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee Update.** The Board of Directors received an update on key items and issues discussed by the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

12. **NCAA Division I Committee on Academics Update.** The Board of Directors received an update on the work of the Committee on Academics.
13. **NCAA Board of Governors Update.** The Board of Directors received an update from the Board of Governors' January 11 meeting.
14. **Legal Update.** The Board of Directors received a privileged and confidential update related to ongoing legal matters.
15. **Report of the December Board of Directors Meeting.** The Board of Directors approved the report of its December 7 meeting. (*Unanimous voice vote.*)

*Board of Directors chair: Jere Morehead, University of Georgia, Southeastern Conference*  
*Staff Liaisons: Amanda Conklin, Division I Governance*  
*Jenn Fraser, Division I Governance*  
*Leeland Zeller, Division I Governance*

<b>Division I Board of Directors January 11, 2024, Meeting</b>
<b>Attendees:</b>
Janna Blais, Northwestern University; Women Leaders in College Sports.
John Bravman, Bucknell University; Patriot League.
Pam Bruzina, University of Missouri, Columbia; FARA.
Kelly Dampousse, Texas State University; Sun Belt Conference.
Houston Davis, University of Central Arkansas; ASUN Conference.
Andrew Hsu; College of Charleston; Coastal Athletic Conference.
Marcus Jones, Northwestern State University; Southland Conference.
Linda Livingstone, Baylor University; Big 12 Conference.
Sidney McPhee, Middle Tennessee State University; Conference USA.
Geoff Mearns, Ball State University; Mid-American Conference.
Jere Morehead (chair), University of Georgia; Southeastern Conference.
Jayathi Murthy, Oregon State University; Pac-12 Conference.
Brian Noland, East Tennessee State University; Southern Conference.
Chris Paul, University of Tulsa, Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
Ora Pescovitz, Oakland University; Horizon League.
Chris Pietruszkiewicz, University of Evansville; Missouri Valley Conference.
Darryll Pines, University of Maryland, College Park; Big Ten Conference.
Mark Reed, Loyola University Chicago; Atlantic 10 Conference.
Philip Rogers, East Carolina University; American Athletic Conference.
Tim Sands, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Atlantic Coast Conference.
Cody Shimp, St. Bonaventure; Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
Harvey Stenger, Binghamton University; America East Conference.
Lynda Tealer, University of Florida; NCAA Division I Council.
Marlene Tromp, Boise State University; Mountain West Conference.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Peter Salovey, Yale University; The Ivy League.
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
Robert Davies, Division I Committee on Academics.
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
Amanda Conklin, Jenn Fraser, and Leeland Zeller.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Charlie Baker, Scott Bearby, Tim Buckley, Dawn Buth, Michael Cioroianu, Joni Comstock, Derrick Crawford, Jon Duncan, Meghan Durham Wright, Dan Gavitt, Brian Hainline, Brandy Hataway, Mark Hicks, Brian Higgins, Katie Koenig, Kevin Lennon, Jobrina Marques, Felicia Martin, Mike Massa, Emanuel McGirt Jr., Mario Morris, John Parsons, Stephanie Quigg, Bridget Rigney, Anne Rohlman, Dave Schnase, Geoff Silver, Jerry Vaughn, and Stan Wilcox.