

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I BOARD OF DIRECTORS JUNE 23, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2025-17 Playing and Practice Seasons Implementation of House v. NCAA Settlement Roster Limitation Provisions. The NCAA Division I Board of Directors adopted Division I Proposal No. 2025-17 as emergency legislation. The proposal establishes provisions for compliance with the roster limitations of the *House* settlement and includes the application of the "designated student-athlete" process. A comprehensive question-and-answer document for schools with Division I sports addresses the implementation of roster limits as set forth in Proposal No. 2025-17 and additional key topics related to the *House* settlement. As a reminder, Proposal Nos. 2025-8 through 2025-16 were conditionally adopted by the board during its April 21 meeting and are considered adopted and final based on the settlement's final approval on June 6. (*Unanimous voice vote.*)
- **2.** Election of Institutions to Active Division I Membership or Football Bowl Subdivision Status. The Board of Directors elected six institutions to active Division I membership status [East Texas A&M University, Lindenwood University, Stonehill College, Queens University of Charlotte, University of Southern Indiana and University of St. Thomas (Minnesota)] and one institution to active Football Bowl Subdivision membership status (Kennesaw State University). The elections to active status are effective August 1, 2025. (Unanimous voice vote. Sidney McPhee, Middle Tennessee State University, recused himself.)
- **3. NCAA Division I Decision-Making Working Group Recommendations.** The Board of Directors reviewed recommendations from the Division I Decision-Making Working Group.

The recommendations from the working group include the following:

- Streamlined committee structure.
- Governance and sport oversight committee compositions, duties and responsibilities.
- A proposed weighted voting percentage for autonomy conferences.
- National standards.
- Referrals for future committees.

The working group also underscored its commitment to preserving division dominant legislation (revenue distribution and championships access) and processes. No changes to division dominant legislation were considered by the working group. The working group will meet once more to determine effective dates, consider approval of a transition committee and finalize its recommendations for the board's consideration. The board will use the expedited legislative process during its August 5 videoconference to act on the final package of recommendations.

- 4. Conference Membership Requirements. The Board of Directors reviewed Division I conference feedback on possible temporary flexibility or adjustments to conference membership requirements. The board took no action and concluded its review, noting the lack of membership support given the complexity of the current landscape. The board will consider a possible moratorium on applications for reclassification from DII and DIII to Division I during its August 5 videoconference.
- 5. Settlement Implementation Update. The Board of Directors received an update from Dave Schnase, vice president of academic and membership affairs, and Jessica Presnall, Big 12 Conference chief legal and business affairs officer, regarding the work of the Implementation Committee. Questions can be directed to settlementquestions@ncaa.org.
- **6. NCAA President's Report.** The Board of Directors received an update from President Baker, which highlighted a successful conclusion of the championship season and updates related to the recently approved *House* settlement.
- 7. **Legal Update.** The Board of Directors received a privileged and confidential update from Scott Bearby, senior vice president of legal affairs, related to ongoing legal matters.
- **8. Report of the June Board of Directors Meeting.** The Board of Directors approved the report of its June 6 meeting. (*Unanimous voice vote.*)

Board of Directors chair: Tim Sands, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Atlantic Coast

Conference

Staff Liaisons: Geoff Bentzel, Division I Governance

Amanda Conklin, Division I Governance Jenn Fraser, Division I Governance Leeland Zeller, Division I Governance

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Attendees:

Janna Blais, Northwestern University; Women Leaders in College Sports.

Glenn Boyce, University of Mississippi; Southeastern Conference.

Pam Bruzina, University of Missouri, Columbia; FARA.

Kelly Damphousse, Texas State University; Sun Belt Conference.

Houston Davis, University of Central Arkansas; ASUN Conference.

Josh Emmanuel, University of Incarnate Word; Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Sidney McPhee, Middle Tennessee State University; Conference USA.

Geoff Mearns, Ball State University; Mid-American Conference.

Brian Noland, East Tennessee State University; Southern Conference.

Meredith Page, Radford University; Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Chris Pietruszkiewicz, University of Evansville; Missouri Valley Conference.

Darryll Pines, University of Maryland, College Park; Big Ten Conference.

Susan Poser, Hofstra University; Coastal Athletic Association.

Mark Reed, Loyola University Chicago; Atlantic 10 Conference.

Quinton Ross, Alabama State University; Southwestern Athletic Conference.

Brian Sandoval, University of Nevada, Reno; Mountain West Conference.

Tim Sands, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Atlantic Coast Conference.

Harvey Stenger, Binghamton University; America East Conference.

Josh Whitman, University of Illinois; Division I Council.

Absentees:

John Brayman, Bucknell University; Patriot League.

Pradeep Khosla, University of California, San Diego; Big West Conference.

Linda Livingstone, Baylor University; Big 12 Conference.

Philip Rogers, East Carolina University; American Athletic Conference.

Jaime Taylor, Lamar University; Southland Conference.

Guests in Attendance:

Jessica Presnall, Big 12 Conference.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Geoff Bentzel, Amanda Conklin, Jenn Fraser and Leeland Zeller.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Troy Arthur, Charlie Baker, Scott Bearby, Tim Buckley, Derrick Crawford, Jon Duncan, Michele Forte-Osborne, Dan Gavitt, Haydyn Gibson, Terri Steeb Gronau, Brian Higgins, Lynn Holzman, Kevin Lennon, John Macrina, Felicia Martin, Emma Potter, Greg Pottorff, Stephanie Quigg, Bridget Rigney, Dave Schnase, Geoff Silver, Lynda Tealer, Stan Wilcox and Meghan Wright.