



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION I BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
INFRACTIONS PROCESS COMMITTEE  
MARCH 13, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

1. **Review of Recent Division I Infractions Outcomes.** The NCAA Division I Board of Directors Infractions Process Committee continued reviewing sample case studies, including full infractions decisions and news releases, to help identify specific challenges within the process as well as with communicating the decisions. The committee provided feedback on the effectiveness of the case studies and engaged with NCAA staff experts regarding substantive aspects of the cases.
2. **Experience with the Infractions Process.** The Infractions Process Committee heard from committee members who have had firsthand experience with the infractions process to inform the committee's considerations.
3. **Engagement with External Constituents.**
  - a. **Identification of Appropriate Groups.** To better understand the various perspectives regarding what works within the current process and what could be improved or altered, the Infractions Process Committee considered approaches to engage effectively with relevant constituents during the initial phase of its review. The committee identified groups that would be most helpful in framing the issues and agreed to invite them to present feedback in advance of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors April 28 meeting so the committee can submit a more informed initial report to the Board at that time. The committee will begin by meeting with representatives from the NCAA enforcement staff during its March 19 videoconference. Other groups the committee initially identified for in-person presentations include the NCAA Division I Committee on Infractions, Division I Infractions Appeals Committee, Division I Conference Commissioners Association and Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
  - b. **Written Submissions from Constituents.** To facilitate these presentations, the Infractions Process Committee agreed to ask constituent groups to submit written responses in advance of the meetings in order to maximize the interaction. Accordingly, committee members discussed sample questions to guide these responses and prompt constituents to identify what they believe to be the core issues to more fully inform the committee's future deliberations.
  - c. **Input from Additional Constituents.** The Infractions Process Committee discussed additional constituent groups from which to seek input in order to broaden the inclusiveness of the review and help ensure representation from all constituents who are impacted by the infractions process. The committee noted in particular the LEAD1 Association, the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics, the National Association for Athletics Compliance, professional

service providers (e.g., outside counsel retained during the infractions process), and select coaches associations as being able to contribute significantly to this review. While time constraints restrict meeting with all of these groups in person, the committee agreed to seek written responses from several before submitting its initial report to the Board of Directors.

4. **Approval of Previous Report.** The Infractions Process Committee approved the report from its initial videoconference March 1.
5. **Future Meetings.** The Infractions Process Committee will convene via videoconference on the following dates:
  - a. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Eastern), Friday, March 19.
  - b. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Eastern), Tuesday, April 13.
  - c. Noon to 1:30 p.m. (Eastern), Saturday, April 17.
  - d. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Eastern), Thursday, April 29.
  - e. Noon to 1:30 p.m. (Eastern), Saturday, May 8.
  - f. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Eastern), Friday, May 14.
  - g. 4 to 5:30 p.m. (Eastern), Tuesday, May 25.

*Infractions Process Committee chair: Jim Harris, University of San Diego*  
*Staff Liaisons: Emily Capehart, Academic and Membership Affairs*  
*Jenn Fraser, Law, Policy and Governance*  
*Alexandra Ingram, Law Policy and Governance*  
*Kevin Lennon, Law, Policy and Governance*  
*Marnae Mawdsley, Office of the Committees on Infractions*

<b>Division I Board of Directors Infractions Process Committee March 13, 2021, Videoconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Adela de la Torre, San Diego State University.	
Ronnie Green, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.	
Jim Harris, University of San Diego.	
Maggie McKinley, University of Cincinnati.	
Geoff Mearns, Ball State University.	
Karen Paisley, University of Utah.	
Harlan Sands, Cleveland State University.	
Greg Sankey, Southeastern Conference.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>Guest in Attendance:</b>	
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Emily Capehart, Jenn Fraser, Alexandra Ingram, Kevin Lennon and Marnae Mawdsley.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Jon Duncan, Karl Hicks, Michelle Hosick, Scott McDonald, Matt Mikrut, Jared Tidemann, Wendy Walters, and Laura Wurtz.	