

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I BOARD OF DIRECTORS INFRACTIONS PROCESS COMMITTEE MARCH 19, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

- 1. Review of Committee Charge and Priorities. The NCAA Division I Board of Directors Infractions Process Committee reviewed its charge from the NCAA Division I Board of Directors and noted priority areas and items that will be addressed in the future.
 - a. The Infractions Process Committee will provide guidance and oversight on key, noncase-specific enforcement and infractions strategic issues.
 - b. The Infractions Process Committee will review and make recommendations to the Board of Directors related to the infractions process to better align membership expectations with current practices and to increase confidence in the process.
 - c. The Division I Board of Directors will continue to have oversight of the infractions processes. The NCAA Division I Committee on Infractions and Division I Infractions Appeals Committee continue reporting to the Board.
- **2. Engagement with Constituent Groups.** The Infractions Process Committee initiated its engagement with select constituent groups to help inform its review of priority areas by hearing from NCAA enforcement staff representatives who described that group's role in, and perception of, the current infractions process. The committee appreciated the enforcement staff's detailed summary and benefitted from discussing the challenges and opportunities within the process. The committee will hear next from the Division I Committee on Infractions and the Division I Infractions Appeals Committee, separately, during its April 13 videoconference.
- 3. Update on the Rules Modernization Initiative. As part of an overarching strategy to modernize NCAA legislation in support of the 21st century student-athlete, the NCAA Division I Legislative Committee formed an NCAA Division I Legislative Committee Modernization of the Rules Subcommittee to assist in that regard. The Infractions Process Committee is being asked to consider how the division's ongoing rules modernization efforts, which have yielded efficiencies and successfully cultivated reasonability in how the membership applies existing legislation, intersect with the infractions process. Moving forward, the Infractions Process Committee will review how to best partner with the Modernization of the Rules Subcommittee in determining whether some rules that often result in minor violations should be revised, eliminated or handled differently.
- **4. Review of Previous Report.** The Infractions Process Committee approved the report from its March 13 videoconference as presented.
- **5. Future Videoconferences.** The Infractions Process Committee will convene on the following dates:

- a. 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Eastern), Tuesday, April 13.
- b. Noon to 1:30 p.m. (Eastern), Saturday, April 17.
- c. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Eastern). Thursday, April 29.
- d. Noon to 1:30 p.m. (Eastern), Saturday, May 8.
- e. 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (Eastern), Friday, May 14.
- f. 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

Division I Board of Directors Infractions Process Committee March 19, 2021, Videoconference

Attendees:

Adela de la Torre, San Diego State University.

Ronnie Green, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

Jim Harris, University of San Diego.

Karen Paisley, University of Utah.

Greg Sankey, Southeastern Conference.

Absentees:

Maggie McKinley, University of Cincinnati.

Geoff Mearns, Ball State University.

Harlan Sands, Cleveland State University.

Guest in Attendance:

Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Emily Capehart, Jenn Fraser, Alexandra Ingram, Kevin Lennon and Marnae Mawdsley.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Jon Duncan, Karl Hicks, Michelle Hosick, Scott McDonald, Matt Mikrut, Bridget Rigney, Jared Tidemann, Wendy Walters, Laura Wurtz and Leeland Zeller.