



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I COMPETITION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
AUGUST 5, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Equity, diversity, inclusion and the student-athlete voice.** Staff shared and encouraged members to view a video presentation from Brett Fuller, a member of the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) Committee for Racial Reconciliation, who addresses the history of racial injustice in America and proposes a vision for reconciliation (https://nabc.com/video/2020/brett_fuller).
2. **NCAA fall championships update.** Staff provided an update on discussions from recent NCAA Board of Governors (BOG) meetings and a review of objectives and logistics if championship modifications become necessary.

The BOG convened August 4 and directed schools and conferences to meet specific requirements if they are to conduct NCAA fall sports during the preseason, regular season and postseason. Among those requirements is that a 50-percent sponsorship threshold be met to conduct a championship in a given sport. The BOG directed each division to determine its ability to meet these requirements to conduct fall championships.

The BOG declared August 21 as the deadline by which fall championships will be determined based on several factors, including sponsorship levels at that time. The Division I Board of Directors has scheduled a videoconference on that date to review options. The Division I Council will convene August 12 to consider input and recommendations for the Board of Directors. Accordingly, the Competition Oversight Committee agreed to use its regularly scheduled August 10 videoconference to finalize recommendations for the Council and the Board of Directors concerning fall sport championships.

The COC remains committed to conducting championships in the fall if it is safe to do so and if sport sponsorship is at or above 50 percent. However, the committee recognizes that the championship formats and logistics (i.e., bracket/field size, timing, sites, etc.) will need to be modified to accommodate health and safety priorities. The committee will begin determining those particulars August 10.

The committee also acknowledged that it has a regularly scheduled videoconference August 26, at which time members can begin deliberating next steps based on determinations made by the Board of Directors and the Board of Governors on August 21.

3. **Future videoconferences.** The committee's next videoconferences are August 10 and August 26.

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Committee Chair: Lynda Tealer, University of Florida

Staff Liaisons: Sharon Cessna, Championships and Alliances

Jennifer Henderson, Academic and Membership Affairs

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Attendees:
Renee Baumgartner, Santa Clara University.
Mark Benson, University of Albany.
Amanda Braun, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
Keisha Dunlap, Conference USA.
Wendy Fallen, Big Ten Conference.
Beth Goetz, Ball State University.
Ted Gumbart, ASUN Conference.
Ken Halpin, Winthrop University.
Gerald Harrison, Austin Peay State University.
Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference.
Megan Klavitter, Chicago State University.
Doug Knuth, University of Nevada, Reno.
Larry Lyons, Illinois State University.
Kris Pierce, Atlantic Coast Conference.
Nona Richardson, University of Utah.
Paula Smith, University of California, Irvine.
Lynda Tealer, University of Florida.
Ingrid Wicker-McCree, North Carolina Central University.
Absentees:
Luis Marcano, University of Delaware.
Guest(s) in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Sharon Cessna and Jennifer Henderson.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Joni Comstock, Jennifer Fraser, Greg Johnson, Anthony Holman, Jeff O'Barr, Carol A. Reep, Liz Suscha and Jerry Vaughn.