



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION I COMPETITION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 9, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

**NONLEGISLATIVE ITEMS.**

- **Feedback to the Council regarding the blanket waiver requests from CCA22.** The NCAA Division I Competition Oversight Committee recommends that the NCAA Division I Council approve a one-year blanket waiver of NCAA Division I Bylaws 31.3.4.4.1 and 31.3.4.4.2. Specifically, the committee recommends the Council permit "intent to sponsor" to be sufficient for establishing automatic qualification eligibility for the 2020-21 academic year, which is similar to the approach used by the NCAA Division I Board of Directors Finance Committee for revenue distributions.

The committee was asked to provide feedback on the request from the Collegiate Commissioners' Association Group (CCA22) to waive the additional automatic qualification requirements for multisport and single-sport conferences. The CCA22 noted that the Council's approval in June of the one-year waiver regarding Bylaw 31.3.4 applied only to Bylaw 31.3.4.4.1 and did not provide the broader flexibility the CCA22 originally sought in its May waiver request. The committee agrees with the CCA22's assessment that expanding the waiver to include Bylaw 31.3.4.4.2 provides maximum flexibility for this year for institutions and conferences to manage the continued uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Equity, diversity, inclusion (EDI) and the student-athlete voice.** Staff updated the committee on a social justice concept being developed by the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee that would include a pledge student-athletes could sign to demonstrate their commitment to fair and equal treatment for all people.
2. **Playing and practice seasons information.** The committee reviewed proposed playing and practice seasons calendars, including championships dates, that the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee has recommended to the Council for consideration during the Council's September 16 meeting. These proposed calendars are specific to each of the fall sports that will conduct their championships in the spring.
3. **Future videoconferences.** The committee will conduct a videoconference September 23 before its regularly scheduled quarterly meeting (via videoconference) October 5-6.

*Committee Chair: Lynda Tealer, University of Florida*

*Staff Liaisons: Sharon Cessna, Championships and Alliances*

*Jennifer Henderson, Academic and Membership Affairs*

<b>NCAA Division I Competition Oversight Committee September 9, 2020, Videoconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Renee Baumgartner, Santa Clara University.	
Mark Benson, University of Albany.	
Amanda Braun, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.	
Keisha Dunlap, Conference USA.	
Mike Cragg, St. John's University (New York).	
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.	
Luis Marcano, University of Delaware.	
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.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>Guest(s) in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Sharon Cessna and Jennifer Henderson.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Joni Comstock, Jennifer Fraser, Robin Hale, Ty Halpin, Greg Johnson, Carol A. Reep, Liz Suscha and Jerry Vaughn.	