

# REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE APRIL 30, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

# ACTION ITEMS.

None.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. COVID-19 Updates and Discussion.
  - a. Discussion of waiver request submitted by commissioners of the Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) nonautonomy, NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) and Division I subdivision conferences. The NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee received an update on actions taken to date on the waiver request submitted by the commissioners of FBS nonautonomy, FCS and Division I subdivision conferences, and an overview of the areas where the Football Oversight Committee's feedback and input are needed. The Football Oversight Committee discussed summer athletic activities, and whether flexibility is appropriate to allow student-athletes to participate in required activities without being enrolled in three degree-applicable credit hours. Due to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on summer class schedules and course availability, the Football Oversight Committee agreed to support flexibility to allow student-athletes to participate in required activities in the summer of 2020 without being enrolled in summer school. The Football Oversight Committee will reassess its position on the summer enrollment requirement in future years. During its next meeting, the Football Oversight Committee will discuss the extent of financial aid and other benefits that should be available to student-athletes who are not enrolled in summer school.
  - b. Review of COVID-19 recruiting dead period options. The Football Oversight Committee discussed approaches to conducting recruiting activities during the COVID-19 recruiting dead period and areas where flexibility may be appropriate (e.g., telephone/video calls, student-athlete involvement in recruiting, prospective student-athlete participation in virtual team meetings, and virtual meetings and banquets). The Football Oversight Committee's feedback on these topics will be provided to the NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee.
  - **c. Committee member updates.** Football Oversight Committee members were encouraged to remain in close contact with their conferences and share updates during future meetings.

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# 2. Future Meetings and Teleconferences.

- a. May 7, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.
- b. May 14, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.
- c. May 21, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.
- d. May 28, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.

Committee Chair: Shane Lyons, West Virginia University; Big 12 Conference.

Staff Liaisons: Ty Halpin, NCAA Championships and Alliances.

Kris Richardson, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs.

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NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee April 30, 2020, Teleconference

# **Attendees:**

Mark Alnutt, University at Buffalo, the State University of New York; Mid-American Conference.

Whit Babcock, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; Atlantic Coast Conference.

Sandy Barbour, Pennsylvania State University; Big Ten Conference.

Todd Berry, American Football Coaches Association (AFCA).

Greg Byrne, University of Alabama; Southeastern Conference.

Jean Gee, University of Montana.

Bret Gilliland, Mountain West Conference.

Doug Gillin, Appalachian State University; Sun Belt Conference.

Mark Harlan, University of Utah; Pacific-12 Conference.

Samantha Huge, College of William & Mary.

Patrick Kraft, Temple University; American Athletic Conference.

Shane Lyons, West Virginia University; Big 12 Conference.

Frank Messina, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Greg Seitz, Jacksonville State University.

Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley Conference.

#### **Absentees:**

Patrick Fields, University of Oklahoma.

Michael Hamrick, Marshall University; Conference USA.

Jennifer Williams, Alabama State University.

## **Guest(s) in Attendance:**

Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern University, AFCA Board of Trustees.

# **NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:**

Ty Halpin and Kris Richardson.

# **Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**

Michael Bazemore, Geoff Bentzel, Amanda Conklin, Jenn Fraser, Chris Howard, Chris Johnson, Khadian Kelly, Jessica Kerr, Sarah Otey and Greg Pottorff.