

# REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AUGUST 26, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

#### ACTION ITEMS.

None.

### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Review of the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee's August 12 Report. The Football Oversight Committee reviewed and approved its August 12 videoconference report.
- **2. Discussion on Senior Minority Administrator Concept.** At the request of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee, the Football Oversight Committee reviewed a draft legislative concept regarding the designation of a senior minority administrator. The Football Oversight Committee supports the concept.
- 3. NCAA Football Rules and Officiating Update. The Football Oversight Committee received an update on recent rules changes and areas of emphasis for the 2021 season. The update also included reminders on rules surrounding pre-game warmups and officiating initiatives, including a centralized instant replay experiment with two contests during the 2021 season. Steve Shaw, national coordinator of officials, will join a future committee meeting to provide additional updates.
- **4. NCAA Division I Governance Update.** Amanda Conklin, director of Division I governance, provided an update on outcomes from the August 18, 2021, NCAA Division I Council meeting.
- 5. NCAA Constitution Committee Update. Sandy Barbour, Penn State University, and Troy Dannen, Tulane University, provided an update on the initial meeting of the NCAA Constitution Committee. They noted that the Constitution Committee recently distributed a membership survey requesting feedback on the current structure and role of the NCAA and encouraged committee members to complete the survey. In addition to institutional staff, the survey went to National Student-Athlete Advisory Committees (SAAC) representatives with a request that they share the survey with conference SAAC chairs and campus representatives. As the Constitution Committee continues its work, the Football Oversight Committee will receive additional updates and discuss the importance of football in the governance structure.
- 6. Football Oversight Committee's Subgroup Updates.
  - a. Playing and Practice Season Subgroup. The Football Oversight Committee received an update on the subgroup's recent meeting and next steps regarding continued engagement with available research and American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) and NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical

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Aspects of Sports (CSMAS) members to address the segments of the football playing season calendar.

**b.** Recruiting Review Subgroup. The subgroup provided an update to the Football Oversight Committee on discussions surrounding potential modifications to the initial counter and annual signing limits, current waivers of the telephone call legislation and the individual associated with a prospect (IAWP) legislation. The committee members agreed to seek feedback from their conferences on possible deregulation of football's IAWP legislation. That feedback will be reviewed and discussed by the subgroup as it finalizes a recommendation for the committee's consideration.

# 7. Future Meetings and Teleconferences.

• 4 to 5:30 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, September 9; Videoconference.

Committee Chair: Sandy Barbour, Pennsylvania State University. 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 August 26, 2021, Videoconference

#### **Attendees:**

Mark Alnutt, University at Buffalo, the State University of New York.

Sandy Barbour, Pennsylvania State University.

Todd Berry, American Football Coaches Association.

Adam Cushing, Eastern Illinois University, Head Football Coach.

Troy Dannen, Tulane University.

Jean Gee, University of Montana.

Doug Gillin, Appalachian State University.

Mark Harlan, University of Utah.

Heather Lyke, University of Pittsburgh.

Frank Messina, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Chrissi Rawak, University of Delaware.

Daniel Rocco, University of Delaware, American Football Coaches Association Board of Trustees.

Mack B. Rhoades, Baylor University.

Terry Tumey, California State University, Fresno.

Isaac Vance, Kent State University, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley Conference.

Eric A. Wood, Louisiana Tech University.

Hunter Yurachek, University of Arkansas.

#### Absentees:

Kyle Moats, Missouri State University.

Chris Paul, University of Tulsa, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

## NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Kris Richardson and Ty Halpin.

## Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Geoff Bentzel, Amanda Conklin, Chris Howard, Ken Huber, Chris Johnson, Greg Johnson, Jessica Kerr, Jeremy McCool, John Parsons and Chad Tolliver.