

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE JULY 30, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Review and Approval of the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee's July 23, 2020, Report. The Football Oversight Committee reviewed and approved its July 23, 2020, videoconference report.
- 2. Position on 2020 NCAA Division I Fall Championships. Following an update on the status of the 2020 NCAA Division I fall championships, the Football Oversight Committee reaffirmed the position in its July 21, 2020, statement to the NCAA Board of Governors. In addition, the Football Oversight Committee provided feedback regarding options for the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) championship.
- 3. Noncoaching Staff Member Involvement in Coaching Activities. During its July 16 videoconference, the Football Oversight Committee discussed whether institutions should be provided flexibility during the COVID-19 pandemic to allow noncoaching staff members to provide technical or tactical instruction to football student-athletes. After gathering feedback from the membership and engaging in further conversation, the committee decided not to recommend any change to the noncoaching staff member legislation for the 2020 season.
- 4. Issues Related to the Impact of COVID-19.
 - **a. Update on 2020 NCAA Division I fall championships.** Anthony Holman, managing director of NCAA championships and alliances, provided an update on the status of the 2020 NCAA Division I fall championships and upcoming NCAA Board of Governors meeting on August 4.
 - b. NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee Football Student-Athlete Connection Group feedback. Ryan Cassidy, student-athlete at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick and representative of the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, shared an update from the Football Student-Athlete Connection Group. The Football Student-Athlete Connection Group expressed their desire to compete during the 2020 fall term if proper health and safety protocols are in place. It was also noted that postponing to the 2021 spring season may be an option to allow more time to adjust to necessary requirements. The Football Student-Athlete Connection Group additionally expressed concern with returning to compete without adequate preparation time.

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Finally, the Football Student-Athlete Connection Group believes providing student-athletes as much transparency as possible, including regarding eligibility implications, etc. that are available is critical to moving ahead successfully.

- 5. Feedback to the NCAA Division I Working Group on Transfers. The Football Oversight Committee was provided a concept from the Division I Working Group of Transfers to consider potential changes to the annual signing limit or initial counter legislation if the one-time transfer exception is extended to football. The Football Oversight Committee agreed to discuss this concept on a future videoconference and provide feedback to the Working Group on Transfers.
- 6. Future Meetings and Teleconferences.
 - a. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, August 6; Videoconference.
 - b. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, August 13; Videoconference.

Committee Chair: Shane Lyons, West Virginia 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 July 30, 2020, Videoconference

Attendees:

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

Whit Babcock, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Sandy Barbour, Pennsylvania State University.

Todd Berry, American Football Coaches Association.

Greg Byrne, University of Alabama.

Ryan Cassidy, Rutgers University, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

Troy Dannen, Tulane University

Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern University, AFCA Board of Trustees.

Jean Gee, University of Montana.

Bret Gilliland, Mountain West Conference.

Doug Gillin, Appalachian State University.

Michael Hamrick, Marshall University.

Mark Harlan, University of Utah.

Samantha Huge, College of William & Mary.

Shane Lyons, West Virginia University.

Frank Messina, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Greg Seitz, Jacksonville State University.

Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley Conference.

Jennifer Williams, Alabama State University.

Absentees:

Patrick Fields, University of Oklahoma.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Ty Halpin and Kris Richardson.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Michael Bazemore, Geoff Bentzel, Amanda Conklin, Curtis Franks, Anthony Holman, Chris Howard, Chris Johnson and Greg Johnson.