



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE  
JUNE 8, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

**KEY ITEM.**

- **NCAA Division I Football Championship Committee recommendation.** Ty Halpin, director of championships, provided an update on recent NCAA Division I Football Championship Committee meetings, including the championship committee's recommendation to seed the top 16 teams in the NCAA Division I football championship, effective with the 2023 championship. The FOC approved the recommendation, subject to budget approval from the NCAA Division I Board of Directors Finance Committee.

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Review stakeholder feedback on April 2023 Football Oversight Committee survey.** Lydia Bell, director of research, provided an update on results from the April 2023 Football Oversight Committee survey to the FOC. In preparation for the June 26-27 in-person meeting, the comprehensive recruiting review subgroup will review institutional limits on official visits and annual signing/initial counters limits and the NCAA Division I Football Competition Committee will review the application of football's seasons of competition rule. Those groups will present recommendations to the FOC during the in-person meeting. Further, the committee agreed to defer any discussion of the FBS rules related to individuals associated with a prospective student-athlete until late summer or fall 2023 to ensure appropriate time and attention is devoted to the Football Competition Committee and the comprehensive recruiting review subgroup referrals.
2. **NCAA Division I SVPC/FOC Membership Subgroup.** Mark Alnutt, University of Buffalo, the State University of New York, Trev Alberts, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, and Eric Wood, Louisiana Tech University, provided an update from recent SVPC/FOC membership subgroup meetings. The subgroup will present its final recommendations for FBS membership requirements to the NCAA Division I Council during its June 27-28 meeting.
3. **NCAA Division I governance update.** Jenn Fraser, managing director of governance, provided an update from recent governance meetings. Specifically, how the FOC could be integrated into the pilot program proposed by the NCAA Council Coordination Committee related to the legislative processes being contemplated for the new Division I decision-making structure. The Council is scheduled to review the proposed pilot program during its June 27-28 meeting.
4. **Recruiting activities during campus visits.** Committee members shared feedback from their spring conference meetings about recruiting activities during campus visits. Following the discussion, the committee agreed not to propose any changes to the current legislation.

5. **NCAA Division I Football Student-Athlete Connection Group update.** Isaac Vance, student-athlete, provided an update from the Football Student-Athlete Connection Group's May 20, 2023, videoconference.
6. **Review of the FOC's May 11, 2023, report.** The committee reviewed and approved its May 11, 2023, report.

*Committee Chair:* Heather Lyke, University of Pittsburgh.

*Staff Liaisons:* Ty Halpin, NCAA Championships and Alliances.

Kris Richardson, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs.

<b>NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee June 8, 2023, Videoconference</b>
<b>Attendees:</b>
Trev Alberts, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.
Mark Alnutt, University at Buffalo, the State University of New York.
Todd Berry, American Football Coaches Association.
Troy Dannen, Tulane University.
Scott Draper, Big 12 Conference (alternate).
Jean Gee, University of Montana.
Doug Gillin, Appalachian State University.
Heather Lyke, University of Pittsburgh.
Mike MacIntyre, Florida International University, AFCA Board of Trustees.
Frank Messina, University of Alabama at Birmingham.
Terry Tumey, California State University, Fresno.
Isaac Vance, Kent State University, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.
Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley Conference.
Eric Wood, Louisiana Tech University.
Hunter Yurachek, University of Arkansas.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Zyquan Bessant, William & Mary, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.
Kent Haslam, University of Montana, NCAA Division I Football Committee chair.
Jim Knowlton, University of California, Berkeley.
Chrissi Rawak, University of Delaware
Mack Rhoades, Baylor University.
Russell Wright, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Head Football Coach.
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
Ty Halpin and Kris Richardson.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Lydia Bell, DJ Brown, Jennifer Fraser, Chris Howard, Chris Johnson, Greg Johnson, Ty Medd and Greg Pottorff.