



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MAY 7, 2020, TELECONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

The NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee requests that the following COVID-19 recommendations be considered by the NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee:

1. **Recruiting Dead Period.** The Football Oversight Committee received an update on waivers of recruiting rules approved by the Council Coordination Committee, applicable during the temporary recruiting dead period, which is scheduled to expire on May 31. The Football Oversight Committee recommends extending the temporary recruiting dead period and the recently approved waivers of recruiting rules through June 30.
2. **Athletically Related Activities and Summer Access.** The Football Oversight Committee discussed the Council Coordination Committee's April 15 action related to countable athletic activities, which allows student-athletes to participate in up to eight hours of virtual nonphysical countable athletically related activity per week through May 31. The Football Oversight Committee recognized that some states have begun to re-open and will do so on different timetables. The Football Oversight Committee recommends prohibiting required summer athletic activities through at least June 30. The Football Oversight Committee supports permitting voluntary athletically related activities on campus, as permitted in accordance with state and local guidelines and health and safety legislation and policy. In addition, the Football Oversight Committee recommends that the Council Coordination Committee action permitting eight hours of virtual nonphysical countable athletically related activity be extended through June 30.
3. **Camps and Clinics.** The Football Oversight Committee reviewed applicable camps and clinics legislation in football. Given the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the permissible 10-day window for Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) institutions to conduct camps and clinics during the months of June and July, the Football Oversight Committee recommends a moratorium on FBS institutions hosting camps and clinics during the summer of 2020. Further, the Football Oversight Committee recommends prohibiting FBS coaches from working camps and clinics at other four-year institutions. On a future call, the Football Oversight Committee will discuss whether to recommend a similar moratorium for NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) institutions and staff.
4. **Summer Meals, Lodging and Expenses.** The Football Oversight Committee reviewed the financial aid and benefits legislation applicable to student-athletes participating in required summer athletic activities. Based on the Council Coordination Committee's guidance to Division I institutions to assist student-athletes with health, safety or well-being concerns, the Football Oversight Committee recommends flexibility to allow institutions to provide meals, lodging and expenses up to the institution's summer cost of attendance limit to student-athletes during the summer, irrespective of whether required summer athletic activities occur.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Feedback on Blanket Waiver – Telephone Calls to Junior Prospective Student-Athlete.** The Football Oversight Committee reviewed a blanket waiver request from an FBS conference seeking blanket relief of legislation that permits one telephone call to a junior prospective student-athlete in football between April 15 and May 31. Given the impact of COVID-19 and the temporary recruiting dead period, which does not allow junior prospective student-athletes to take unofficial or official visits, the Football Oversight Committee recommends the adoption of the blanket waiver to allow institutions to have telephone contact with junior prospective student-athletes at the institution's discretion through the end of the temporary recruiting dead period.
- 2. Future Agenda Items.**
 - a. Discussion of waiver request submitted by commissioners of the FBS nonautonomy, FCS and Division I subdivision conferences.** The Football Oversight Committee will review and develop recommendations for the waiver request areas where the Football Oversight Committee's feedback has been requested.
 - b. Committee member updates.** Football Oversight Committee members were encouraged to remain in close contact with their conferences and share updates during future meetings.
- 3. Future Meetings and Teleconferences.**
 - a. May 14, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.
 - b. May 21, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.
 - c. May 28, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.
 - d. June 4, 2020; Microsoft Teams Meeting.

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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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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.	
Patrick Fields, University of Oklahoma.	
Jean Gee, University of Montana.	
Bret Gilliland, Mountain West Conference.	
Doug Gillin, Appalachian State University; Sun Belt Conference.	
Michael Hamrick, Marshall University; Conference USA.	
Mark Harlan, University of Utah; Pacific-12 Conference.	
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:	
Samantha Huge, College of William & Mary.	
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, Chris Howard, Chris Johnson, Jessica Kerr, Sarah Otey and Greg Pottorff.	