

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OCTOBER 22, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

• Recommendation for Midyear Enrollee Eligibility in NCAA Football Championship Subdivision (FCS). The NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committee recommended that NCAA Division I Council amend NCAA Proposal No. R-2020-17 to permit prospective student-athletes to enroll midyear at a FCS institution and be immediately eligible for competition during the spring 2021 term. The Football Oversight Committee recommends that immediate eligibility be provided to high school initial enrollees who graduated during the spring or summer 2020 and committed to, or had a written intent to enroll at the institution before the fall 2020 term, and two-year, four-year and postgraduate transfer prospective student-athletes who meet transfer requirements and did not compete during the fall 2020 term. The recommendation is specific to FCS and is being made by the Football Oversight Committee due to roster attrition and management in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Review of Football Oversight Committee October 15, 2020, Report. The Football Oversight Committee reviewed and approved its October 15, 2020, videoconference report.
- 2. NCAA Division I Football Student-Athlete Connection Group Update. The Football Oversight Committee received an update on the October 21, 2020, Football Student-Athlete Connection Group videoconference (the first meeting with the reconstituted roster).
- 3. Issues Related to the Impact of COVID-19 and Remote Coaching. The Football Oversight Committee discussed the current playing rules that restrict a coach's participation in remote coaching activities during competition while quarantined due to COVID-19. The NCAA Division I Football Competition Committee will review the issue on an upcoming videoconference and the Football Oversight Committee will receive an update on those discussions.
- 4. Future Meetings and Teleconferences.
 - a. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, November 5, 2020; Videoconference.
 - b. 4 to 5:30 p.m. Eastern time, Thursday, November 12, 2020; Videoconference.

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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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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.

Craig Bohl, University of Wyoming, AFCA Board of Trustees.

Greg Byrne, University of Alabama.

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

Adam Cushing, Eastern Illinois University.

Troy Dannen, Tulane University

Jean Gee, University of Montana.

Bret Gilliland, Mountain West Conference.

Doug Gillin, Appalachian State University.

Michael Hamrick, Marshall University.

Shane Lyons, West Virginia University.

Frank Messina, University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Kyle Moats, Missouri State University.

Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley Conference.

Jennifer Williams, Alabama State University.

Absentees:

Patrick Fields, University of Oklahoma.

Mark Harlan, University of Utah.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Ty Halpin.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Michael Bazemore, Geoff Bentzel, Jennifer Fraser, Anthony Holman, Chris Howard, Chris Johnson, Jess Kerr and Zack Teats.