

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MAY 23, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- Legislative items.
 - a. Amend Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) recruiting legislation as follows- Model A: Three Signing Period Model.
 - (1) Recommendation. The NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision Oversight Committee recommends that the NCAA Division I Council introduce expedited legislation, for championship subdivision football, to amend the recruiting legislation to accommodate a three-signing period National Letter of Intent, as follows:
 - (a) Increase from 140 to 168 recruiting person days in the spring contact period, selected at the discretion of the institution.
 - (b) After January 1 of the individual's junior year of high school, an institution may engage in up to <u>two</u> recruiting opportunities per contact period, as specified:
 - i. During each contact period of the individual's junior year in high school, one of the two recruiting opportunities must occur at the individual's educational institution.
 - ii. Eliminate the one time per week recruiting opportunity restriction.
 - iii. Eliminate the eight recruiting opportunities legislation.
 - (c) Prohibit any on or off-campus delivery of a National Letter of Intent and in-person contact by an institutional staff member during the signing of a National Letter of Intent.
 - (d) Amend the written offers of aid legislation to permit an institution to provide written offers of aid beginning the Monday prior to the early National Letter of Intent Signing date in June.
 - (e) Amend the football championship subdivision recruiting calendar as specified:
 - i. The Monday immediately following the last Saturday in November through December 31 shall be a dead period except for:

- a. A 14-calendar day contact period beginning the Friday following the early National Letter of Intent Signing Date; and,
- b. A three-calendar day quiet period following that contact period.
- ii. The first Monday in January through the first Saturday in February shall be a contact period except for a one-calendar day quiet period on the Sunday preceding the AFCA Convention and a three-calendar day dead period beginning the Monday of the AFCA Convention.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2024.
- Rationale. The changes to the recruiting opportunities and recruiting calendar are necessary to accommodate the first opportunity to sign a National Letter of Intent in June at the conclusion of the individual's junior year in high school. An increase to 168 recruiting person days during the spring contact period allows off-campus recruiters additional opportunities to engage in off-campus recruiting opportunities with prospective student-athletes before the June signing period. Further, allowing recruiting opportunities during the spring contact period at the educational institution and any other location provides more opportunities for prospective student-athletes, their family members and off-campus recruiters to evaluate academic and athletic preparedness.
- (4) <u>Estimated budget impact</u>. Varies by institution based on time recruiting off campus.
- (5) <u>Student-athlete impact</u>. Additional opportunities for prospective student-athletes and their family members to engage in off-campus recruiting activities with institutional off-campus recruiters.
- b. Amend Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) recruiting legislation as follows- Model B: Two Signing Period Model.
 - (1) Recommendation. The NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision Oversight Committee recommends that the NCAA Division I Council introduce expedited legislation, for the Football Bowl Subdivision, to amend the recruiting legislation to accommodate changes to National Letter of Intent signing periods:

- (a) After January 1 of the individual's junior year of high school, an institution may engage in up to <u>two</u> recruiting opportunities per contact period, as specified:
 - i. During each contact period of the individual's junior year in high school, one of the two recruiting opportunities must occur at the individual's educational institution.
 - ii. Eliminate the one time per week recruiting opportunity restriction.
 - iii. Eliminate the eight recruiting opportunities legislation.
- (b) Prohibit any on or off-campus delivery of a National Letter of Intent and in-person contact by an institutional staff member during the signing of a National Letter of Intent.
- (c) Amend the football championship subdivision recruiting calendar as specified:
 - The Monday immediately following the last Saturday in November through December 31 shall be a dead period except for:
 - a. A 14-calendar day contact period beginning the Friday following the early National Letter of Intent Signing Date; and,
 - b. A three-calendar day quiet period following that contact period.
- (2) Effective date. August 1, 2024.
- (3) Rationale. The changes to the recruiting opportunities and recruiting calendar are necessary to accommodate the first opportunity to sign a National Letter of Intent in December. Additional recruiting opportunities during the spring contact period at the educational institution and any other location provides more opportunities for prospective student-athletes, their family members and off-campus recruiters to evaluate academic and athletic preparedness.
- (4) <u>Estimated budget impact</u>. Varies by institution based on time recruiting off campus.

(5) <u>Student-athlete impact</u>. Additional opportunities for prospective student-athletes and their family members to engage in off-campus recruiting activities with institutional off-campus recruiters.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. NCAA Division I Football Bowl Subdivision Oversight Committee update. The committee received an update from recent FBSOC meetings.
- 2. Approve NCAA Division I Football Championship Oversight Committee May 14, 2024, report. The committee approved the April 14 report.
- 3. Future meetings.
 - Monday, June 24 and Tuesday, June 25; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley Football Conference. Staff Liaisons: Ty Halpin, NCAA Championships and Alliances.

Kris Richardson, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs

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Attendees:

Craig Bohl, American Football Coaches Association.

Charles Brown, Jr., Delaware State University.

Jean Gee, University of Montana; Big Sky Conference.

Chris Grant, Southland Conference.

Shawn Heilbron, Stony Brook University; Coastal Athletic Association.

Aaron Hosmon, The Ivy League.

Matt Larsen, North Dakota State University.

Hakim McClellan, Mississippi Valley State University; Southwest Athletic Conference.

Jeff Roberts, Tennessee Technological University.

Benjamin Shove; Northeast Conference.

Jermaine Truax, Bucknell University; Patriot League.

Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley Football Conference.

Greg Walter, Pioneer Football League.

Mark Wilson, Tennessee Technological University; Ohio Valley Conference.

Russell Wright, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; Southern Conference.

Absentees:

None.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Ty Halpin and Kris Richardson.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Geoff Bentzel, DJ Brown, Chris Johnson, Greg Johnson, Emanuel McGirt, Jr., Greg Pottorff and Luke Schultheis.