

# INFORMATIONAL ITEMS OF THE NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SUBDIVISION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OCTOBER 7, 2024, MEETING

Note: This document does not include items incorporated in the report of the October 8-9 NCAA Division I Council meeting.

### ACTION ITEMS.

None.

#### <u>INFORMATIONAL ITEMS</u>.

- 1. NCAA Division I Football Championship Committee update. The committee received an update from the Division I Football Championship Committee regarding the current landscape of the FCS Championship. The Football Championship Committee will release and promote its Top 10 on October 30, 2024, and will use four ranking metrics (two predictive, two results-based) to assist its work. The host institution bid portal opened on October 6 and will close November 7, 2024.
- 2. National Football League Draft declaration dates. The committee received an update regarding declaration dates for underclassmen to ensure adequate time for the all-star games to set rosters. Later this fall, the NFL will distribute a memorandum to football institutions that identifies the agreed upon declaration deadlines between the league and the NFL Players Association.
- 3. NCAA Division I Football Student-Athlete Connection Group update. The committee received an update from the September 15 FSACG videoconference. During the videoconference, the FSACG discussed the notification of transfer window concepts, the playing and practice season subgroup and use of technology during contests. The connection group will meet again on October 20.
- 4. Football Playing Rules update. The committees received an update on the implementation of several technology items, including the use of coach-to-player communication (used by FCS institutions when playing Football Bowl Subdivision institutions) and the use of tablets for coaching purposes. Updated game data was shared with the committee, noting a slight decrease in the overall number of plays and scoring in the game. The committee will continue to receive updates through the year; the Football Rules Committee meets February 25-27, 2025.
- **5.** Review of the 2024-25 Pilot Legislative Process. The committee received an update on the pilot legislative process for the 2024-25 academic year.
- **6. NCAA Division I governance update.** The committee received an update on upcoming Division I governance meetings.

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- 7. Approve NCAA Division I Football Championship Oversight Committee August 26 report and the NCAA Division I Football Oversight Committees Joint Administrative Committee September 16 report. The committee approved the August 26 and September 16 reports.
- 8. Future meeting dates.
  - a. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, November 11, 2024; videoconference.
  - b. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, December 2, 2024; videoconference.

Committee Chair: Shawn Heilbron, Stony Brook University.

Staff Liaisons: Ty Halpin, NCAA Championships and Alliances.

Kris Richardson, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs.

# NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision Oversight Committee October 7, 2024, Meeting

#### **Attendees:**

Andrew Bechac, Southland Conference. (alternate)

Charles Brown, Jr., Delaware State University.

Dena Freeman-Patton, Morgan State University; Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference

Jean Gee, University of Montana; Big Sky Conference.

Anton Goff, Prairie View A&M; Southwest Athletic Conference.

Gerald Harrison, Austin Peay State University, Atlantic Sun Conference.

Shawn Heilbron, Stony Brook University; Coastal Athletic Association.

Matt Larsen, North Dakota State University.

Bob Nielson, University of South Dakota; The Summit League.

Jeff Roberts, Tennessee Technological University.

Benjamin Shove; Northeast Conference.

Jason Strong, Yale University; The Ivy League.

Jermaine Truax, Bucknell University; Patriot League.

Greg Walter, Pioneer Football League.

Jamaal Walton, Virginia Military Institute; Southern Conference.

Mark Wilson, Tennessee Technological University; Ohio Valley Conference.

#### Absentees:

Craig Bohl, American Football Coaches Association.

Chris Grant, Southland Conference.

### **Invited Guests:**

Steve Shaw, NCAA Football Rules Committee.

### NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Ty Halpin.

# Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Geoff Bentzel, DJ Brown, Ethan Hite, Chris Howard, Chris Johnson and Greg Pottorff.