



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION I LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 17, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- **Nonlegislative Items.**
  - a. **Blanket Waiver -- Nonchampionship Segment Playing and Practice Season Legislation -- Women's Volleyball.** The NCAA Division I Legislative Committee recommends that the NCAA Division I Council approve a blanket waiver of the women's volleyball nonchampionship segment, length of playing season legislation [NCAA Bylaw 17.26.1-(b)-(2)] such that women's volleyball teams are subject to the same length of season legislation as fall team sports other than football for the 2020 fall term or until another approach is approved for the fall 2020 playing season.
  - b. **Blanket Waiver -- Championship and Nonchampionship Segments -- Fall Sports Other Than Football.** The Legislative Committee recommends that the Council approve a blanket waiver, in fall sports other than football, to permit an institution to consider the fall segment of its playing and practice season as part of the championship segment for fall 2020 or until another approach is approved for the fall 2020 playing season.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM.**

- **NCAA Division I 2020 Fall Playing and Practice Season Feedback.** The Legislative Committee discussed the 2020 fall playing season and agreed that the membership needs clear guidance until an alternative playing season model is recommended and adopted for the remainder of the fall and the spring. Further, the committee acknowledged that institutions and conferences may have different needs based on the status (e.g., continuing, postponed, canceled) of their fall seasons. The committee noted flexibility within the existing legislation and supports additional, reasonable flexibility to allow institutions and conferences to sufficiently support playing and practice options for their student-athletes. Specifically, the committee supports: (1) Maintaining existing daily and weekly hour limitations and the number of required days off; (2) Providing interpretive flexibility to allow teams to return to or pause their "in-season" segment as needed due to COVID-19-related interruptions (e.g., team quarantine); and (3) Ensuring teams that remain "in-season" until an alternative fall model is adopted will not lose future playing and practice opportunities.

The committee also reviewed initial concepts for alternative fall playing seasons and agreed that options allowing significant flexibility should be considered. Specifically, the committee does not support mandating that all teams be considered out of season even if no competition will occur during the fall. The committee will continue to discuss and provide feedback on options for the 2020-21 playing and practice season.

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*Staff Liaisons:* Anne Rohlman, Academic and Membership Affairs

Leeland Zeller, Division I Governance

<b>NCAA Division I Legislative Committee August 17, 2020, Videoconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Lisa Archbald, Northeast Conference.	
Carray Banks, Norfolk State University.	
Jacqueline Blackett, NCAA Division I Committee on Academics.	
Matt Burgemeister, Atlantic Coast Conference.	
Jeremiah Carter, University of Minnesota.	
Rick Christensen, Duquesne University.	
Daniel Feig, University of South Carolina Upstate.	
Tim Gleason, University of Oregon.	
Jennifer Heppel, Division I Committee on Academics.	
Stephen LaPorta, NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief chair.	
Maggie McKinley, University of Cincinnati (chair).	
Kailyn Myshrall, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Alex Ricker-Gilbert, Jacksonville University (vice chair).	
Shalini Shanker, Colorado State University.	
Shannon Strahl, Gonzaga University.	
Larry Williams, University of Akron.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Greg Walter, NCAA Division I Interpretations Committee chair.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Anne Rohlman and Leeland Zeller.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Sarah Heberd and Ty Medd	