



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
MARCH 6, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Legislative Pilot Processes and Moratorium on Division I Council-Governance Conference Sponsored Legislative Proposals.

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division I Council extend the legislative pilot processes and the moratorium on conference-sponsored proposals for the 2024-25 Council-governance legislative cycle.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate; applicable for the 2024-25 Council-governance legislative cycle.
- (3) Rationale. The current legislative pilot processes were implemented for the 2023-24 Council-governance legislative cycle, one of which provided limited authority to the NCAA Division I Basketball and Football Oversight Committees to introduce and approve legislative proposals in specific bylaws, subject to the review of the council. The pilot processes were intended to provide information to assess the functionality of the decision-making structure as recommended by the NCAA Division I Transformation Committee and how the processes would work with additional sport management (or oversight) committees in the structure. Although additional sport management (or oversight) committees have not been established and discussions related to such committees have been suspended indefinitely, the pilot processes have generally received favorable reviews. The processes have shown that less significant, sport specific issues can be resolved at the sport oversight committee level. Conferences may continue to submit legislative concepts to appropriate entities in the governance structure for consideration within the pilot processes.
- (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.
- (5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Pilot Program -- Recruiting Calendar Changes – Authority of Council Standing Committees.

- (1) Recommendation. That the council approve a pilot program to allow the NCAA Division I Basketball and Football Oversight Committees and NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee to adopt changes to the recruiting calendars without review by the council through the legislative process for the 2024-25 recruiting cycles.
- (2) Effective Date. Immediate, for changes made to recruiting calendars that apply August 1, 2024, through July 31, 2025.
- (3) Rationale. At the request of the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee, the NCAA Division I Legislative Committee reviewed whether recruiting calendars would be more appropriately

overseen by relevant Division I Council standing committees as opposed to being adopted through the formal legislative process. The Legislative Committee agreed that it would be more efficient and effective to allow the appropriate standing committees to make changes to the calendars rather than taking the time of the council to review and approve such minor changes through the legislative process. However, the Legislative Committee agreed that it would be appropriate to pilot the process for one year before recommending a permanent legislative change.

This pilot program will allow the sport oversight committees and the Student-Athlete Experience Committee to engage in a collaborative process with coaches associations and other stakeholders to review and develop changes to the recruiting calendars. Further, this pilot program will not require council review of legislation to change recruiting calendars, which will allow the council to focus on more impactful and nationally significant issues such as Project Division I, NIL issues and transfers.

Under the pilot program the standing committees will ratify the recruiting calendars during June in-person meetings and may amend recruiting calendars during the recruiting cycle without going through the formal legislative cycle. Committee authority would be bound to currently legislated periods of recruiting activities (contact/recruiting period, evaluation period, quiet period, dead period and recruiting shutdown). The creation of a new period of recruiting activity or any other changes associated with the recruiting cycle (e.g., recruiting opportunities, evaluation/recruiting person days, etc.) must be accomplished through the legislative process.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. NCAA Legal Affairs Update.** The NCAA Division I Legislative Committee received an update from the NCAA Office of Legal Affairs regarding the current legal landscape on issues that impact the NCAA membership including name, image and likeness activities, transfers and employment.
- 2. Review of the Division I Council-Governance Proposals in the June 2024 Council-Governance Legislative Cycle.** The Division I Legislative Committee completed an initial review of the council-governance legislative proposals in the June 2024 legislative cycle. The Legislative Committee supports the recommendation from the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee that a proposal related to the publicity of skill instruction be reviewed as expedited legislation during the April council videoconference.
- 3. NCAA Division I Interpretations Committee Report.** The Legislative Committee received two reports from the Interpretations Committee and approved an official interpretation (Reference 02/14/2024, Item 1), as recommended.
- 4. NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief Report.** The Legislative Committee received the report from the February 18, 2024, videoconference of the NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief.

5. Approval of Legislative Committee January 9 Report. The Legislative Committee approved the report of its January 9 meeting.

Committee Chair: Doug Knuth, Temple University

Staff Liaisons: Emily Capehart, Academic and Membership Affairs

Leeland Zeller, Division I Governance

NCAA Division I Legislative Committee March 6, 2024, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Lisa Archbald, Northeast Conference.	
Brady Barke, Southeast Missouri State University.	
Matt Boyer, NCAA Division I Interpretations Committee chair.	
Matt Burgemeister, Atlantic Coast Conference.	
Jeremiah Carter, University of Minnesota.	
Rick Christensen, NCAA Division I Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement chair.	
Stephen Corder, University of Detroit Mercy.	
Ashely Cozad, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.	
Jon Fagg, Division I Committee on Academics.	
Doug Knuth, Southern Utah University.	
Jessica Kumke, Division I Committee on Academics.	
Stephen LaPorta, NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief chair.	
Julie Owen, Kansas State University.	
Thomas Samuel, Southland Conference.	
Shalini Shanker, Colorado State University.	
Daryl Simpson, Middle Tennessee State University.	
Absentees:	
Julie Patridge, Southern Illinois University of Carbondale.	
Molly Sullivan, Butler University.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Emily Capehart and Leeland Zeller.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Jenn Fraser, Brandy Hataway, Ty Medd, Karen Metzger and Greg Pottorff.	