

# REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MAY 18, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE

# ACTION ITEMS.

None.

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Consideration of Remaining 2019-20 NCAA Division I Council-Governance Legislative Proposals. The NCAA Division I Legislative Committee reviewed its previous recommendation to table the remaining 2019-20 Division I Council-governance legislative proposals through the June Division I Council meeting. The Legislative Committee agreed that the majority of the proposals should remain tabled through the June Council meeting, but noted that it would defer to the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee regarding whether the Council should consider NCAA Proposal Nos. 2019-131 (Emerging Sports for Women -- Acrobatics and Tumbling) and 2019-132 (Emerging Sports for Women -- Women's Wrestling) during the June meeting. Specifically, the Legislative Committee noted the Strategic Vision and Planning Committee's engagement with the NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics and expertise specific to emerging sport proposals. Additionally, the committee discussed Proposal No. 2019-119 and noted that there may be a benefit to considering the proposal at the Council's October meeting in order to provide notice to the membership if the proposal is adopted with the current August 1, 2021, effective date.

Finally, the Legislative Committee noted that maintaining the tabled status of the remaining 2019-20 legislative proposals allows the membership to focus on urgent and ongoing issues caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Further, the Legislative Committee emphasized that tabled proposals may be recommended for consideration in July, August, October or January or April 2021. The committee will review the tabled proposals in advance of each Council meeting to determine whether any should be recommended for action. Conferences and other committees may also recommend that particular proposals be considered. The membership will receive notice of any proposals that are recommended for consideration in advance of the Council meeting in which they will be considered.

2. Waiver Requests of NCAA Division I Membership Requirements. The Legislative Committee discussed the waiver requests of NCAA Division I membership requirements submitted by the commissioners of the five Football Bowl Subdivision nonautonomy conferences and the CCA22. The committee provides the following feedback to the Council: (1) The committee supports providing flexibility through the blanket waiver process, noting that requiring institutions to submit individual waivers may be overly burdensome; (2) The committee supports initially limiting blanket waiver relief to one academic year, noting that such relief could be extended later if necessary; and (3) The committed recommends that the Council set a timetable to review any approved waivers

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such that the membership has sufficient notice for scheduling competition in the following academic year.

**3. Approval of Legislative Committee April 23, 2020, Teleconference Report.** The Legislative Committee approved the report of its April 23, 2020, teleconference.

Committee Chair: Maggie McKinley, University of Cincinnati, American Athletic Conference

Staff Liaisons: Anne Rohlman, Academic and Membership Affairs

Leeland Zeller, Division I Governance

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#### **Attendees:**

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.

Daniel Feig, University of South Carolina Upstate.

Tim Gleason, University of Oregon.

Jennifer Heppel, NCAA Division I Committee on Academics.

Loretta Lamar, NCAA Division I Committee on Student-Athlete Reinstatement chair.

Stephen LaPorta, NCAA Division I Committee for Legislative Relief chair.

Maggie McKinley, University of Cincinnati (chair).

Alex Ricker-Gilbert, Jacksonville University (vice chair).

Shalini Shanker, Colorado State University.

Shannon Strahl, Gonzaga University.

Greg Walter, Division I Interpretations Committee chair.

Larry Williams, University of Akron.

#### **Absentees:**

Amanda Carroll, NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee.

## **Guests in Attendance:**

None.

### **NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:**

Anne Rohlman and Leeland Zeller.

### Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

None.