



**REPORT OF THE NCAA
DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
AUGUST 13, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **NCAA governance updates and 2020-21 men's basketball playing season.** The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee received an update on recent actions by the NCAA Board of Governors and the anticipated timeline for NCAA Division I Board of Directors to outline a process and timeline for decisions on the administration of NCAA championships in fall sports.

The committee also received an update on for the 2020-21 men's basketball regular playing and practice season. The committee agreed to meet regularly in the coming weeks to develop a framework and timeframe for decisions on the start of the men's basketball regular playing season and anticipates its recommendations be forwarded to the NCAA Division I Council for consideration at its September 16 meeting.

2. **Men's Basketball Oversight Committee fall 2020 recommended priorities.** The oversight committee received an update on the fall 2020 recommended priorities.
3. **Increased access between student-athletes and coaches at request of student-athletes.** The committee received an update from its August 4 administrative subcommittee discussion regarding whether to recommend that the NCAA Division I Council support increased access between student-athletes and men's basketball coaches when at the request of student-athletes due to the negative mental health impact of COVID-19. The committee recognized this issue may not be unique to men's basketball student-athletes and recommended that as they discuss playing and practice season models for the 2020-21 academic year, the Division I Competition Oversight Committee, Division I Football Oversight Committee, Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee and Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee consider an option to permit coaches to engage in voluntary workout sessions with student-athletes provided the request is initiated by the student-athlete. It also noted the importance of seeking input from the established football and basketball student-athlete groups. Once feedback from the identified committees is received, the committee will consider whether to make a recommendation to the NCAA Division I Council.
4. **Expansion of noncoaching staff responsibilities.** The committee received an update from its August 4 administrative subcommittee discussion regarding the expansion of noncoaching staff responsibilities to permit limited involvement in on-court practice activities (e.g., managerial duties) with student-athletes during summer access and out-of-season activities due to the impact of COVID-19 (i.e., institutional policies prohibiting student managers attendance at practice). The committee supported managing such issues

through the established NCAA Division I Committee on Legislative Relief waiver process on a case-by-case basis. It also agreed to monitor the volume and type of waivers requested for potential consideration of a blanket waiver in the future.

- 5. Review of financial aid blanket waivers.** The committee reviewed and provided feedback on two financial aid legislative relief blanket waivers being considered by the NCAA Division I Council due to disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The initial blanket waiver request would specify that an institution would not be required to count a student-athlete in maximum award limitations even if the student-athlete receives athletically related financial aid, provided the student-athlete chooses not to participate as a result of COVID-19 concerns. The second blanket waiver request, contingent upon the approval of the first blanket waiver, would permit an institution to exceed financial aid limits in any year subsequent to 2020-21 based solely on awarding additional financial aid during 2020-21 as a result of the blanket waiver. The committee did not support either of the blanket waivers and encouraged institutions and conferences to work with NCAA staff regarding specific issues on a case-by-case basis.
- 6. NBA Draft update.** The committee received a final update on the 2020 NBA pre-draft process. Of the 156 NCAA underclassman who entered the 2020 NBA Draft as early entrants, 59% withdrew their names from the NBA Draft by the adjusted NCAA August 3 withdrawal deadline in order to retain NCAA eligibility, an increase of 7% in comparison to 2019. Eleven of the NCAA underclassman who withdrew from the 2020 NBA Draft also received an NBA Draft combine invitation.
- 7. Update regarding social justice.** The committee received an update on social justice initiatives including the promotion of cultural diversity and gender equity across the NCAA committee structure in compliance with Constitution 4.02.6 (gender and diversity requirements). To promote a national hiring commitment to ethnic diversity, the committee supported continued conversation on several concepts including the establishment of an athletics administrative senior minority designation and ongoing focus to ensure NCAA committee representation better exemplifies the demographics of student-athletes, coaches and administrators. Further, the committee received an update from the NCAA Eligibility Center staff that student-athletes enrolling in the 2021-22 academic year will not be required to provide standardized test scores for NCAA initial-eligibility standards. The committee will receive periodic updates regarding future decisions on the use of standardized test scores for initial eligibility beyond the 2021-22 academic year.
- 8. Review of NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee proposal for Election Day.** In response to a request by the Division I National Student-Athlete Advisory Committee, the committee reviewed the SAAC's proposed noncontroversial legislation to specify that countable athletically related activities shall be prohibited during Election Day to promote civic engagement by student-athletes in both local or federal elections and to participate in other civic engagement activities. The committee supported the proposal and associated educational efforts. The committee requested that SAAC consider specific

education for student-athletes to request absentee ballots, since many attend an institution outside of their home community or state.

- 9. National Association of Basketball Coaches Player Development Coalition.** The committee received an update on the newly created NABC Player Development Coalition. The committee, made up of current NCAA Division I men's basketball student-athletes, will meet on a quarterly basis to share ideas, discuss hot topics impacting college men's basketball, engage in leadership development activities, build professional skills and competencies, provide feedback on NABC and NCAA decisions impacting college men's basketball and discuss future professional opportunities in and outside the game of basketball. The committee will receive periodic updates on the execution and impact of the player development coalition.
- 10. Review of Men's Basketball Oversight Committee student-athlete nominees.** The committee reviewed the slate of nominees for one student-athlete vacancy on the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee and made a recommendation to the Division I Council Coordination Committee for the open position.
- 11. Approval of reports.** The committee approved its July 16 report and the July 27 and August 4 reports of the Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee Administrative Subcommittee. Further, the committee approved the July 14 and July 28 Men's Basketball Oversight Committee Transfer Working Group reports.

Committee Chair: Judy MacLeod, Conference USA
Staff Liaisons: Dan Gavitt, Basketball Championships
Charnele Kemper, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee August 13, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Scott Barnes, Oregon State University.	
Lindsey Blom, Ball State University.	
Barry Collier, Butler University.	
Kery Davis, Howard University.	
Jeff Jackson, Big 12 Conference.	
Judy MacLeod, Conference USA.	
Cuonzo Martin, University of Missouri, Columbia.	
Gloria Nevarez, West Coast Conference.	
Martin Newton, Samford University.	
Matt Painter, Purdue University.	
Jim Phillips, Northwestern University.	
Craig Robinson, National Association of Basketball Coaches.	
Paul Schlickmann, Fairfield University.	
John Williams, Southland Conference.	
Absentees:	
Jim Haney, National Association of Basketball Coaches.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Ethan Good, Bowling Green State University.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Dan Gavitt and Charnele Kemper.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Elaine Barrett, Sarah Heberd, Ken Huber, PJ Hubert, Greg Johnson, Jobrina Marques, Mike Massa, Jeremy McCool, JoAn Scott, Alex Smith, Brad Taylor, Brian Thornton, Angela Tressel and Quintin Wright.	