

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MAY 7, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- Legislative items.
 - July 2021 men's basketball recruiting calendar.
 - (1) Recommendation. The NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee recommends the NCAA Division I Council adopt temporary emergency legislation to amend the July 2021 calendar as outlined: (1) Establish evaluation periods for NCAA-certified events during the following dates: (a) July 16-18 and (b) July 23-25; and (2) Establish a dead period from July 19-22.
 - (2) <u>Effective date</u>. Immediate, applicable for July 2021 only.
 - Rationale. As a result of the 2021 NCAA College Basketball Academy postponement, originally scheduled July 20-25, the proposed recruiting calendar changes promote the presence of coaching staff on campus during weekdays to support their current student-athletes, while providing the opportunity to recruit off-campus at NCAA-certified events on the weekends. The model maintains the same number of evaluation and dead period days as originally scheduled. It also provides opportunity for players to rest in between the three weekend evaluation periods and reduces the travel and work absence burden for parents/guardians, coaches and event operators. The committee noted the recommendation is for July 2021 only and should not extend to future years if the NCAA College Basketball Academy returns. Remaining dates of the July recruiting calendar remain unchanged.
 - (4) Estimated budget impact. None
 - (5) <u>Student-athlete impact</u>. The model results in a positive impact on the prospective student-athlete experience by permitting coaches opportunities to evaluate prospects, especially those who have had limited in-person evaluation opportunities due to the COVID-19 dead period. The weekday dead periods allow coaches to spend time on campus with their student-athletes.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Qualifying regular-season multiple-team event waiver discussion. The committee recommended that the NCAA staff approve a blanket waiver to permit flexibility for

qualifying regular-season multiple-team events during the 2021-22 men's basketball season. The blanket waiver would permit the following: (1) Two teams from the same conference may participate in the same multiple-team event provided one or both teams signed a contract to participate in the same event during the 2020-21 season; and (2) A team may participate in the same multiple-team event twice in a four-year period provided the team's first participation in the four-year period occurred during the 2020-21 season. During the 2021-22 season, the committee noted that flexibility may be appropriate through the waiver process, on an individual case-by-case basis, for other qualifying multiple team-event criteria for those institutions whose participation in a multiple team event during the 2020-21 season was significantly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

- 2. Nonphysical countable athletically related activities blanket waiver extension. The committee discussed the April 28 blanket waiver supported by the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee for sports other than football and basketball during Summer 2021. The committee did not support extending the blanket waiver in men's basketball. The committee noted the importance of returning, where possible, to the normal application of the legislation for summer 2021 and indicated it was not supportive of a blanket waiver which would increase student-athlete time demands during the summer vacation period following a challenging 2020-21 season.
- 3. Review of legislative relief waiver for transportation expenses prior to enrollment. The committee reviewed and provided feedback on a legislative relief waiver seeking relief from the transportation prior to initial enrollment legislation. The committee did not support relief to permit institutions to provide men's basketball prospective student-athletes with transportation to enroll. While the committee recognizes the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the prospective student-athlete experience, the committee was not supportive of relief based on the circumstances outlined in the waiver request.
- **4. Review NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee nominees.** The committee reviewed the slate of nominees for a vacancy on the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules Committee. The committee will provide its recommendations for review by the NCAA Division I Nominating Committee during its upcoming meeting.
- Minority Administrator designation. The oversight committee received an update regarding the legislative framework, governance process, relationship with the athletics diversity and inclusion designee, and timeline as it relates to the designation of a Senior Minority Administrator. The committee expressed its support for the development of a legislative proposal to be introduced into the 2021-22 legislative cycle. It directed the staff to develop a draft proposal and educational information that more clearly defines the differences between the athletics diversity and inclusion designee and the proposed Senior Minority Administrator. The committee will review the information during its future meetings and anticipates seeking support of the legislative proposal from the other standing committees once developed.

- 6. NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Committee update. The oversight committee received an update regarding the 2021 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship, the expansion of the Men's Basketball Committee from 10 to 12 members, the initial planning for the 2022 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship and the evaluation of sites for future Final Fours.
- **NBA pre-draft process update.** The committee received an update on key dates within the process, current issues and educational initiatives of the NCAA staff for 2021 NBA Draft process. Information regarding the 2021 NBA pre-draft process can be found at the following link.
- 8. National Association of Basketball Coaches noncoaching staff blanket waiver recommendation. The committee received a recommendation from the National Association of Basketball Coaches that a blanket waiver, which permitted up to two noncoaching staff members with sports-specific responsibilities to engage in managerial duties during on-court activities during the 2020-21 playing season be re-issued, immediately, for the summer 2021 and 2021-22 academic year. In its request, the NABC noted that many of the COVID-19 healthy and safety concerns that supported the initial waiver will continue to exist during the 2021-22 season and the waiver provides noncoaching staff members additional professional development opportunities for a potential transition to a coaching role. The committee will further discuss the blanket waiver recommendation at its upcoming May 27, 2021, videoconference and seek feedback from the other NCAA Division I Council standing committees with sport oversight.
- 9. NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee April 23 videoconference report. The committee reviewed and approved its April 23 videoconference report.

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Staff Liaisons: Dan Gavitt, Basketball Championships

Charnele Kemper, Academic and Membership Affairs.

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May 7, 2021, Videoconference

Attendees:

Scott Barnes, Oregon State University.

Tom Burnett, Southland Conference.

Barry Collier, Butler University.

Kery Davis, Howard University.

Jeff Jackson, Big 12 Conference.

Judy MacLeod, Conference USA.

Cuonzo Martin, University of Missouri, Columbia.

Martin Newton, Samford University.

Gloria Nevarez, West Coast Conference.

Craig Robinson, National Association of Basketball Coaches.

Paul Schlickmann, Fairfield University.

John Williams, Southland Conference.

Malcolm Wilson, Georgetown University.

Absentees:

Lindsey Blom, Ball State University.

Jared Butler, Baylor University.

Matt Painter, Purdue University.

Guests in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Dan Gavitt and Charnele Kemper.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Nia Blair, Judy Delp, Curtis Franks, Ken Huber, PJ Hubert, Abbie Markey, Jobrina Marques, Jeremy McCool, Ty Medd, Mckenzie Maneggia, Courtney Moore, JoAn Scott and Leeland Zeller.