



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION I STUDENT-ATHLETE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **NCAA Constitution Committee update.** The NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee received an update from Kendall Spencer, the student-athlete representative on the NCAA Constitution Committee, on the progress made by the Constitution Committee related to the input from student-athletes at the campus, conference and national levels to address transformational, organizational change through the redrafting of the principles, governance structure and membership commitments found in the NCAA Constitution to meet the needs of today's student-athletes and in the generations to come. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee was informed that the student-athlete voice represented more than 1,300 of the responses, and the committee will be solicited more in the future as the Constitution Committee moves to its next phase in the process.
2. **Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and NCAA Division I Presidential Forum engagement.** The committee prepared for an engagement with the NCAA Division I Presidential Forum in October. Topics to be discussed will include the elevation of the student-athlete voice and the review of the NCAA Constitution. The committee also reviewed other high priority items to discuss with the Presidential Forum including the unification of the student-athlete voice at-large, an increase of student-athlete voices on NCAA committees and dedicated human resources to the campus, conference and national SAAC bodies.
3. **Senior minority administrator designation.** The committee received an update on a draft legislative proposal under consideration by the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee that would specify an institution or conference shall designate a senior minority administrator. The committee supported the senior minority administrator proposal noting that special consideration should be given to ensure the role is adequately defined. There was concern that the role could become another title and not properly satisfy the intent of the proposal. The group also wanted the designation to be structured in a way that does not create a ceiling for those individuals in that role. Overall, there was overwhelming support for the proposal given its potential to impact individuals in the future.
4. **Update on civic engagement legislation.** The committee discussed the application of the civic engagement legislation and educational opportunities to share awareness of the legislation. The committee also received an update on waiver scenarios that impact the application of the legislation by allowing student-athletes to participate in countable athletically related activities on November 2, 2021. The committee noted that the waiver scenarios described were an encroachment on the efforts made by student-athletes on

legislation they developed that was thoroughly vetted and unanimously supported by the membership. However, there was also a recognition that education on the details of the legislation could have been more robust. The committee supported one-time relief of the legislation noting that institutions and conferences should provide civic engagement programming and education to its student-athletes and commit to providing a different day off in the future. The committee was also supportive of allowing for truly voluntary activities to occur.

5. **Update from the NCAA Standardized Test Score Task Force.** The committee received an update on the NCAA Standardized Test Task Force and will provide feedback on importance questions related to the work of the task force via a survey.
6. **Update on external NCAA Gender Equity Review.** The committee received an informational update on the external NCAA Gender Equity Review – Phase I Basketball Championship conducted by Kaplan, Hecker and Fink, LLP.
7. **Other business.** The committee shared updates on the work of each of the subcommittees.
8. **Approval of the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee July 26 meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its July 26 videoconference.

*Committee Chair: Ryan Cassidy, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick; Big Ten Conference*

*Committee Vice Chair: Bryce Choate, Oral Roberts University; The Summit League*

*Staff Liaisons: Russell Register, NCAA Enforcement  
Jeremy Villanueva, NCAA Communications  
Quintin Wright, NCAA Academic and Membership Affairs*

<b>NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Advisory Committee September 30, 2021, Videoconference</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Ryan Cassidy, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick; Big Ten Conference.	
Bryce Choate, Oral Roberts University; The Summit League.	
Turner Dirrigl, Canisius College; Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference.	
Alec Dominguez, Florida International University; Conference USA.	
Quinn Eaton V, Murray State University; Ohio Valley Conference.	
Dominic Franklin, Texas Southern University; Southwestern Athletic Conference.	
Alexis Garrett, Troy University; Sun Belt Conference.	
Ami Gianchandani, Yale University; The Ivy League.	
Asia Goins, Towson University; Colonial Athletic Association.	
Katherine Harston, New Mexico State University; Western Athletic Conference.	
Maddie Hommey, Longwood University; Big South Conference.	
Leon Krapf, North Carolina State University; Atlantic Coast Conference.	
Nicole Leishman, University of the Pacific; West Coast Conference.	
Isaiah Marable, California State University, Sacramento; Big Sky Conference.	
Mackenzie McFeron, University of Evansville; Missouri Valley Conference.	
Connor McMahon, Mount St. Mary's University; Northeast Conference.	
Taylor Morgan, University of Alabama; Southeastern Conference.	
Christopher Paul, The University of Tulsa; American Athletic Conference.	
Natalie Robinson, University of Washington; Pac-12 Conference.	
Cody Shimp, St. Bonaventure University; Atlantic 10 Conference.	
Isaac Vance, Kent State University; Mid-American Conference.	
Marissa Watters, University of the Incarnate Word; Southland Conference.	
Nia Wattlely, Stony Brook; American East Conference.	
Malcolm Wilson, Georgetown University; Big East Conference.	
Liz Wood, University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; Southern Conference.	
Morgan Wynne, Oklahoma State University; Big 12 Conference.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Ahmed Amaar, Lipscomb University; ASUN Conference.	
Julia Gray, Loyola University; Patriot League.	
Hannah Lee, University of Wyoming; Mountain West Conference.	
Maya Riddlesprigger, California State University, Fullerton; Big West Conference.	
Lainey Stephenson, Wright State University; Horizon League.	

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<b>Other Guests in Attendance:</b>
Ashley Cozad, University of North Florida; ASUN Conference (substitute).
Raissa Gavino, University of New Mexico; Mountain West (substitute).
Karissa Hoffman, California State University, Sacramento; Big Sky Conference (substitute).
Bryan Kordupel, Youngstown State University; Horizon League (substitute).
Caroline Paterno, St. Bonaventure University, Atlantic 10 Conference (substitute).
Kendall Spencer, NCAA Constitution Committee Representative.
Olivia Summiel, Wake Forest University, Atlantic Coast Conference (substitute).
Taylor Thames, California State University, Northridge; Big West Conference (substitute).
Jamie Zamrin, Lehigh University; Patriot League (substitute).
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>
Russell Register and Quintin Wright.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Judy Delp, Ken Huber, Jeremy McCool and Corbin McGuire.