



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I STUDENT-ATHLETE EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE
APRIL 12, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Virtual, nonphysical countable activities waiver sport other than basketball and football.** The NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee recommended an extension of the current virtual, nonphysical countable athletically related activities blanket waiver until the first day of classes for the institution's 2021 fall term or the start of the preseason practice period, whichever is earlier. The committee supports extending the blanket waiver, in sports other than basketball and football, to permit an institution to require up to eight hours per week of virtual, nonphysical countable athletically related activities (e.g., film review, team meetings, chalk talk) and for each sport to require an institution to provide student-athletes at least one day off per week (rather than the legislated two days outside the season). The committee noted the circumstances during summer 2021 are substantially similar to summer 2020; specifically, the committee noted the uncertainty surrounding access to on-campus resources and course offerings during summer 2021.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. COVID-19 continuation of delayed-enrollment policy.** The Student-Athlete Experience Committee continued its discussion regarding the potential extension of the 2020-21 COVID-19 delayed-enrollment policy to 2021-22. The committee did not support an extension of the 2020-21 COVID-19 delayed-enrollment policy, noting the importance of returning to the normal application of the delayed-enrollment legislation. The committee indicated its preference that NCAA staff handle delayed-enrollment waivers during the 2021-22 academic year on a case-by-case basis.
- 2. Extension of COVID-19 financial aid exemptions waiver.** The committee continued its discussion regarding a waiver request from the Southeastern Conference that would extend, for one year, the NCAA Division I Council's March 30, 2020, action to permit institutions to exempt the athletics aid of a student-athlete during the student-athlete's final season of eligibility while enrolled at the same institution from which the student-athlete received a COVID-19 season-of-competition or extension-of-eligibility waiver. The committee did not support extending the blanket waiver for one year, noting the importance of returning to the normal application of the financial aid legislation. However, the committee noted that the amended waiver request is more narrowly tailored to those academic terms directly affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, which the committee preferred over the broader request originally recommended by the Southeastern Conference.

3. **Review the Council standing committees non-Council slate of nominees.** The Student-Athlete Experience Committee reviewed and will provide feedback to the NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee on the slate of nominees for the non-Council vacancy beginning July 1, 2021.
4. **Report of the April 5 committee videoconference.** The committee approved the report of its April 5 videoconference.
3. **Future videoconferences.**
 - a. 1 p.m. Eastern time Monday, April 19.
 - b. 1 p.m. Eastern time Monday, May 17.

Committee Chair: Justin Sell, South Dakota State University
Staff Liaisons: D.J. Brown, Academic and Membership Affairs
Brandy Hataway, Academic and Membership Affairs
Karen Metzger, Academic and Membership Affairs
Quintin Wright, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee April 12, 2021 Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Kim Capriotti, Jacksonville University.	
Charles Cobb, Georgia State University.	
Shawn Heilbron, Stony Brook University.	
Blake James, University of Miami (Florida).	
Chris May, St. Louis University.	
Erik Price, Pac-12 Conference.	
Justin Sell, South Dakota State University.	
Jaunelle White, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis.	
Katie Willett, Big East Conference.	
Absentees:	
Vedika Anand, Wagner College (Student-Athlete).	
Ross Bjork, Texas A&M University, College Station.	
Alicia Cooperman, James Madison University (Student-Athlete).	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
D.J. Brown, Brandy Hataway, Karen Metzger and Quintin Wright.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Ty Medd and Ashley Thornburg.	