



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I STUDENT-ATHLETE EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE
JANUARY 22, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Spring 2021 sports season-of-competition and extension requests.** The NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee reviewed its prior discussion regarding season-of-competition waivers and extensions of eligibility for spring sport student-athletes during the 2020-21 academic year. The committee did not support acting on a blanket waiver at this time due to concerns surrounding the financial impact on institutions and agreement that other strategies can be implemented to assist with roster management. The committee noted that no significant changes have been made to the spring 2021 championship structure or playing season and reiterated support of continuing this conversation as necessitated by developments related to the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. **COVID-19: Recruiting updates.** The Student-Athlete Experience Committee received an update from staff about a holistic recruiting review that is planned for spring 2021. The committee will review recruiting legislation and leveraging of virtual tools (e.g., off-campus recruiting, campus visits, virtual recruiting restrictions, recruiting calendars) that were referred to the committee from the NCAA Division I Presidential Forum Sustainability Review.
3. **Requests for relief from NCAA Bylaw 14.5.5.5 – baseball.** The committee discussed waiver requests to permit baseball student-athletes who transferred to a new NCAA Division I institution after the 2020 fall term to compete during the 2021 spring season. The committee noted that relief from the normal application of Bylaw 14.5.5.5 may be warranted when the transfer student-athlete’s original institution will discontinue the sport or will not be competing in the sport of baseball during the 2020-21 academic year.
4. **Student-athlete experience – toolkit.** The committee received an update from staff about the potential development of a “toolkit” of information addressing the short- and long-term impacts of COVID-19 on the student-athlete experience.
5. **Report of the December 21 committee videoconference.** The committee approved the report of its December 21 videoconference.

6. Future videoconferences.

- **Monthly videoconferences via Microsoft Teams.**

- (1) 1 p.m. Eastern time Monday, February 15, 2021.
- (2) 1 p.m. Eastern time Monday, March 15, 2021.

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 January 22, 2021, Videoconference
Attendees:
Ross Bjork, Texas A&M University, College Station.
Kim Capriotti, Jacksonville University.
Charles Cobb, Georgia State University.
Alicia Cooperman, James Madison University (Student-Athlete).
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).
Blake James, University of Miami (Florida).
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
D.J. Brown, Karen Metzger and Quintin Wright.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Emily Capehart, Marnae Mawdsley, Corbin McGuire and Jerry Vaughn.