



**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION I STRATEGIC VISION AND PLANNING COMMITTEE  
JUNE 26-27, 2023, MEETING**

**Note: This document does not include all items incorporated in the NCAA Division I Council report.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- 1. Review of the March 27, 2023, report of the NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee.** The Strategic Vision and Planning Committee reviewed and approved the report as submitted.
- 2. NCAA Division I Transformation Committee Referrals - Subgroup updates.** The SVPC received updates on final recommendations from the subgroups formed to discuss and provide draft legislative concepts on the Transformation Committee referrals in the areas of diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging and education, health and safety and membership requirements. The final recommendations from each of the subgroups will be presented to the NCAA Division I Council for consideration on June 27-28.

The SVPC Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging and Education Subgroup continues to work on the diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging staffing referral and will provide updates at a future meeting.

The SVPC also discussed the list of topics its Membership Requirements Subgroup recommended that SVPC review in the next 12 to 24 months. SVPC noted that the review of the following topics should be prioritized:

- a. All aspects of the current National Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) to Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) reclassification process aside from the reclassification fee;
- b. Establishment of or clarification regarding subdivisional reclassification processes for conferences, including formal application processes and associated timelines as applicable;
- c. All aspects of the single-sport conference application process, including clarification regarding the minimum number of Division I members required to establish a Division I conference in a national collegiate championship sport;
- d. Review of the legislation regarding football single-sport conference voting requirements; and
- e. All aspects of the current Divisions II and III to Division I reclassification process.

### 3. Membership.

- a. **NCAA membership landscape.** The SVPC received an update from staff on the evolving landscape of Division I membership.
- b. **Review and approval of tuition inflation memo for minimum financial aid.** The SVPC completed its annual review and approval of the minimum aggregate tuition figure for institutional financial aid requirements outlined in Figure 20-1 and NCAA Division I Bylaw 20.10.3.2-(b).
- c. **Update on the status of the single-sport moratorium.** The SVPC received an update from staff on the status of the single-sport moratorium. SVPC recommended extending the current single-sport conference moratorium by extending the tabling of NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2020-17 to January 2025 to allow SVPC to complete its review of membership requirements before the application process reopens. SVPC supports providing certainty regarding the end date of the moratorium to allow conferences to plan. However, for purposes of consistency and stability, the SVPC recommended providing additional time for SVPC and the membership to complete its review of membership requirements. If the moratorium is extended until January 2025, conferences would be permitted to apply starting February 1, 2025 in advance of the June 1, 2025 application deadline.
- d. **Review of membership applications and reports.** SVPC reviewed information from each of the institutions in the Divisions II and III to Division I and FCS to FBS membership process and took the following action:
  - 1) Merrimack College has been recommended to the NCAA Board of Directors to be advanced to active membership in Division I;
  - 2) Bellarmine University has been advanced to year four of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
  - 3) University of California, San Diego has been advanced to year four of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
  - 4) Tarleton State University has been advanced to year four of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
  - 5) Utah Tech University has been advanced to year four of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
  - 6) Lindenwood University has been advanced to year two of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;

- 7) Queens University of Charlotte has been advanced to year two of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
- 8) Stonehill College has been advanced to year two of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
- 9) Texas A&M-Commerce has been advanced to year two of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
- 10) University of Southern Indiana has been advanced to year two of the Division II to Division I reclassification process;
- 11) Le Moyne College has been accepted into the Division II to Division I process;
- 12) University of St. Thomas (Minnesota) has been advanced to enter year three of the Division III to Division I process;
- 13) Jacksonville State University has been advanced to year two of the FCS to FBS process;
- 14) James Madison University has been advanced to year two of the FCS to FBS process;
- 15) Sam Houston State University has been advanced to year two of the FCS to FBS process; and
- 16) Kennesaw State University has been accepted into the FCS to FBS process.

A subgroup will be formed to look at materials requested and questions asked of institutions throughout the reclassification process. This subgroup will also look at including division-wide data points in its annual review. This subgroup's discussions and recommendations will be shared with the SVPC at future meetings.

4. **Legal update.** The SVPC received a legal update on current and pending legislation from staff.
5. **NCAA Sport Science Institute updates.** The SVPC received an update from staff on sport science institute issues, including educational efforts and potential changes being discussed in the drug testing and concussion safety protocol spaces.
6. **Committee reports.** The SVPC reviewed the following reports:

- a. NCAA Committee on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports. February 20-21, 2023, report.
  - b. NCAA Division I Board of Directors Finance Committee April 24, 2023, report.
  - c. NCAA Board of Governors Committee to Promote Cultural Diversity and Equity May 18, 2023, report.
  - d. NCAA Minority Opportunities and Interests Committee May 9, 2023, report.
7. **Review of sports sponsorship waiver.** The SVPC heard the waiver of an institution seeking to receive a sports sponsorship waiver of one of its sports for 2022-23.
8. **Review of future meeting schedule.**
- October 2 (4 to 7 p.m. Eastern time) and October 3, 2023 (8 a.m. to noon Eastern time), Indianapolis.

*Committee Chair:* Noreen Morris, Northeast Conference  
*Staff Liaisons:* Troy Arthur, Academic and Membership Affairs  
Amanda Conklin, Division I Governance  
Jenn Samble, Academic and Membership Affairs

<b>NCAA Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee June 26-27, 2023, Meeting</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Nicole Arrighi, Tennessee State University.	
Jason Cable, Alabama State University.	
Patrick Chun, Washington State University.	
Timothy Coffey, Longwood University	
Robin Harris, The Ivy League	
Mark Jackson, Villanova University.	
Noreen Morris, Northeast Conference.	
Cody Shimp, SAAC.	
Jennifer Strawley, University of Miami (Florida).	
Kristin Williams, Mid-American Conference.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>Guest in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Troy Arthur, Amanda Conklin and Jenn Samble.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Michele Forte Osborne, Alex Purcell, Anne Rohlman and Geoff Silver.	