REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 25, 2026, VIDEOCONFERENCE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

- **None.**

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **NCAA legal update.** The NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee continued to receive updates from the NCAA office of legal affairs on key items and current litigation impacting basketball. The oversight committee provided feedback on the initial work of the NCAA Division I Academics and Eligibility Committee on possible amendments to the pre-enrollment athletics eligibility rules and will continue its discussion in future meetings to support the work of the Academic and Eligibility Committee.

2. **Update from the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee**. The oversight committee received an update from the most recent meetings of the Division I Women's Basketball Committee. Specifically, the oversight committee was updated on the mock selections with select media and conference office staff held at the national office, which are intended to provide transparency to the committee's selection process. It was also noted that the initial Top 16 reveal took place on February 14. The oversight committee was also made aware of two key educational initiatives geared toward head women's basketball coaches and education for the possible First Four, First and Second Rounds host schools and teams who are participating in the NCAA Women's Basketball Championship. Lastly, the oversight committee was informed that any discussion on future tournament consideration was paused until after the completion of the 2026 Men's and Women's Basketball Championships.

3. **Update from the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Student-Athlete Engagement Group (SAEG).** The oversight committee received an update on the most recent meeting of the student-athlete engagement group and future discussion topics. Specifically, the oversight committee was updated that the SAEG continues to receive exposure to various leaders in college and professional athletics and have frequent opportunities to provide feedback on legislative concepts currently being discussed with oversight committee.

4. **Update on the placement of commercial or nonprofit logos on uniforms, apparel, equipment and playing surfaces.** The oversight committee approved a recommendation from the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Playing Rules Subcommittee on the placement of commercial or nonprofit logos on the basketball court. The regulations moving forward would allow commercial or nonprofit logos in the space beyond each end line, effective August 1, 2026. Current regulations permit commercial advertising on each sideline, as well as two commercial or nonprofit logos on the playing court as follows: (1) The logos shall fit into a box that is 10 feet by 10 feet square, with no more than one square in each half of the playing court; and (2) The box shall be located 8½ feet from the division line and 4½ feet from the sideline. For postseason conference tournaments, one combination conference/commercial tournament-sponsor logo is permitted on the court

when located in and around the center circle. The combination logo shall not count as one of the two permitted commercial logos authorized by this rule. In addition, the oversight committee was updated on the editorial change to address the placement of commercial and nonprofit logos on the uniform and apparel for all non-NCAA championship competitions. When located on the game jersey, commercial or nonprofit logos must be located either on the front shoulder panel (no closer than one inch from the identifying name, nickname or logo) or on the reverse side of the game jersey, no closer than two inches above or below the number. On the game shorts, the logo must be on the front lower quadrant.

5. **NCAA Division I legislative update and discussion.** The oversight committee reviewed the basketball-related legislative proposals introduced into the April 2026 cycle. Specifically, the oversight committee reviewed the question-and-answer document and provided feedback on the application of the individual associated with a recruited prospective student-athlete legislation to NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2026-2 Athletics Personnel and Recruiting – Limitations on the Number of Coaches and Off-Campus Recruiters – Basketball and ultimately agreed that the individual associated with a prospective (IAWRP) legislation remains applicable until further review. In addition, the oversight committee engaged in an initial discussion on the comprehensive review of Division I Bylaw 17 Playing and Practice Seasons and the evaluation of the NCAA Division I women's basketball recruiting calendar and supported further discussion at future meetings. Lastly, the oversight committee was updated on the current action of the NCAA Division I Football Bowl Subdivision Oversight Committee's recommendation that the NCAA Division I Cabinet adopt emergency legislation to apply penalties to situations in which an institution does not obtain authorization to contact a four-year college transfer student-athlete through the notification of transfer process and the student-athlete transfers to a new school and participates in any athletically related activity. The Division I Cabinet is expected to take action on this recommendation at its April meeting.

6. **Other business.** The NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Committee took action to finalize the policy on the use of practice players during the Division I championship. More information and guidance will be shared within the participant manual.

7. **NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee January 8 and February 4 meeting reports.** The oversight committee reviewed and approved its January 8 and February 4 meeting reports.

8. **Future meeting schedule.**

- April 22 – videoconference.
- May 11 – videoconference.

- June 1-2 – in-person meeting in Indianapolis, IN.
- June 22 – videoconference.
- August 24 – videoconference.
- October 5-6 – in-person meeting in Indianapolis.
- June 2-3, 2027 – in-person meeting in Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: *Kelly Barsky, University of California, Santa Barbara*
Committee Vice Chair: *Terry Gawlik, University of Idaho*
Staff Liaisons: *Meredith Cleaver, Women's Basketball*
Lynn Holzman, Women's Basketball
Binh T. Nguyen, Division I Governance and Member Services

NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee February 25, 2026, Videoconference
Attendees:
Val Ackerman, Big East Conference.
Kelly Barsky, University of California, Santa Barbara.
Sara Burton, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
Maya Chocano, University of California, Riverside.
Tiffany Daniels, Southeastern Conference.
Liz Darger, Brigham Young University (nonvoting member).
Danielle Donehew, Women's Basketball Coaches Association (nonvoting member).
Terry Gawlik, University of Idaho.
Lindy La Rocque, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.
Erin McDermott, Harvard University.
Ed McLaughlin, Virginia Commonwealth University.
Jill Shields, Kansas State University.
Audrey Taylor, Northern Arizona University (alternate).
Brooke Wyckoff, Florida State University.
Absentees:
Ketra Armstrong, University of Michigan (nonvoting member).
Lindsay Edmonds, Rice University.
Taryn Sides, Kansas State University.
Adrianna Smith, University of Maine.
Guests in Attendance:
None.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Meredith Cleaver, Lynn Holzman and Binh Nguyen.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Keisha Burnette, Connor Bush, Amanda Conklin, Khadian Harrison, Jennifer Henderson, Charnele Kemper, Abbie Markey, Mike Massa, Courtney Moore, Rachel Seewald, Andy Supergan, Jared Tidemann and Meghan Wright.