

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE JANUARY 6, 2025, VIA EMAIL

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- Feedback on NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2024-69 Committees Sport Championship Committees – Eliminate Regional Representation Requirements. The NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee supports the proposal and offers the following additional feedback for consideration by the appropriate governance entities:
 - a. Conference realignment and expansion has resulted in conference membership, in some cases, throughout the entire country or multiple geographic regions. Therefore, removing regional representation from the committee composition requirements based on conference affiliation (and regional assignment based on where the conference office is located) is acceptable and understandable.
 - b. The Women's Basketball Oversight Committee strongly suggests that an alternative policy or committee composition requirement be established to ensure that committee appointments reflect geographic diversity. This is an important consideration to ensure committee member responsibilities may be fulfilled (e.g., conference monitoring, team selections) as well as dispelling any perceived biases if a portion of the country is not represented (e.g., west coast).
 - c. In that regard, the oversight committee did discuss whether there may be other ways to account for broad geographic committee member representation such as continuing a regional model based on time zones, for example (not based on conference affiliation).

Committee Chair: Kelly Barsky, University of California, Santa Barbara

Committee Vice Chair: Terry Gawlik, University of Idaho

Staff Liaisons: Meredith Cleaver, Championships and Alliances

Lynn Holzman, Championships and Alliances Binh T. Nguyen, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee January 6, 2025, Videoconference

Attendees:

Val Ackerman, Big East Conference.

Terry Gawlik, University of Idaho.

Brent Jones, Troy University.

Lindy La Rocque, University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

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Ed McLaughlin, Virginia Commonwealth University.

Jill Shields, Kansas State University.

Brooke Wyckoff, Florida State University.

Absentees:

Kelly Barsky, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Jacqueline Blackett, Columbia University – Barnard College.

Julie Roe Lach, Horizon League.

Drew Speraw, Western Athletic Conference.

Kennedy Todd-Williams, University of Mississippi.

Guest(s) in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Meredith Cleaver, Lynn Holzman and Binh Nguyen.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Kelsi Mahoney.