



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MARCH 1, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **Amendment to the Effective Date of NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2022-30 Athletics Personnel and Recruiting -- Limitations on the Number of Coaches and Off-Campus Recruiters – Basketball for Women’s Basketball.**

- (1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division I Council amend the effective date of Proposal No. 2022-30 from July 1, 2023, to June 1, 2023, for women’s basketball.
- (2) Effective date. Immediate for the request to amend the effective date.
- (3) Rationale. It is expected that the two basketball noncoaching staff members who are conditionally permitted to engage in coaching activities now via a recently extended blanket waiver will be designated by their institution as countable coaches per the new legislation while also retaining many of their noncoaching duties, thus, mitigating the budget impact of the legislative change. In addition, the NCAA Transfer Portal windows for basketball will be closed before most institutions are able to announce the coaches selected for the two new coaching slots. An earlier effective date for the legislation could help institutions with retention of current student-athletes by creating clarity on the make-up of the coaching staff before the transfer windows close. The addition of two new coaches starting with a program on July 1 is potentially detrimental to the continuity of summer access and thus, student well-being. It would be beneficial to student-athletes if all eight weeks of their required summer activities were conducted by a coaching staff that does not change in the middle of the workout period. An earlier effective date would provide time for relationships to be established prior to the summer workout period and for the new coaches to more fully understand how the program operates. In today’s mental health environment for college students, it makes sense to allow opportunities for student-athletes to have additional individuals with whom they can build a relationship and rely on. The coach/student-athlete relationship commonly goes beyond the sport into mentorship, emotional support and helping to solve life’s challenges away from the sport. Also, earlier implementation means there will be additional people who know the student-athletes well enough to identify emotional, behavioral, or academic warning signs and intervene before problems arise. Lastly, this legislation is permissive in nature and an earlier effective date would simply provide institutions with an opportunity to take action if desired.

(4) Estimated budget impact. None.

(5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Update on the implementation of the College Basketball Academy for women's basketball.** The NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee received an update on the work and planning to date on the College Basketball Academy for women's basketball and the proposed model for summer 2023. The Women's Basketball Oversight Committee also reviewed the proposed participant numbers, dates for the academy, schedule, staffing, accommodations, officiating and post event measurement efforts. The oversight committee re-emphasized the need for the academy to be an opportunity to increase the number of women and minorities in the coaching and officiating professions.
- 2. College Basketball Summer Initiative Working Group update.** The oversight committee received an update on the work related to college basketball summer initiatives for men's and women's basketball. The oversight committee was made aware of and discussed the scope of the potential models being considered and the timeline for feedback and implementation.
- 3. Referral from the NCAA Division I Transformation Committee related to the proposed sport management committee composition.** At the request of the NCAA Division I Council Coordination Committee, the oversight committee provided initial feedback on the proposed sport management committee composition. The oversight committee affirmed its previous position that separate sport management committees should exist for men's and women's basketball. The oversight committee discussed the potential impact of this new model and created a subgroup to review this item to provide feedback to the Council Coordination Committee by the deadline.
- 4. Blanket waiver request related to the location restrictions for June scholastic recruiting events for women's basketball.** The oversight committee supported a blanket waiver request to expand the location of where June scholastic recruiting events may occur, which may now include larger, noneducational facilities. It is still impermissible for these events to occur at an NCAA Division I institution. The waiver request is for June 2023 events only and event operators and host associations must submit an application for approval to the National Federation of High Schools (for its members) and to the NCAA (for non-NFHS members). This waiver still maintains the goal of the NCAA and its members to increase the scholastic influence and minimizes the involvement of outside third parties in the recruiting process and allows the oversight committee an opportunity a legislative change to the location restriction in the future.

5. **Request to review the institutional limit on official visits in women's basketball.** The oversight committee reviewed and discussed a referral from the NCAA Division I Legislation Committee on the institutional limit on official visits in women's basketball. NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2022-32 Recruiting – Official and Unofficial Visits was modified at the January 2023 Division I Council meeting to remove the proposed elimination of sport-specific institutional official visit limitations that apply to baseball, football, basketball and asked the sport oversight committees and the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Experience Committee to identify the best way to structure institutional limits around official visits moving forward. In response to the referral, the oversight committee supported an increase to 30 official visits an institution may provide over a rolling two-year period. This represents a 25% increase from the current legislation.

In conjunction with the legislative feedback, the oversight committee directed staff to approve a blanket waiver to permit institutions to provide 30 official visits (increase of 25%) in women's basketball over the period of August 1, 2021, through July 31, 2023. This would be an increase of six official visits prior to July 31, 2023, and would capture the rolling two year period of 2021-22 and 2022-23. This waiver addresses the impact of recent changes in NCAA legislation (e.g., one-time transfer exception, NCAA Transfer Portal windows) by providing additional official visits to help institutions address possible roster depletion. This one-time waiver gives limited relief from the institutional official visit limit, provides appropriate short-term flexibility, and promotes responsible recruiting practices. The oversight committee will gather additional data on the use of official visits and consider whether to recommend a legislative change in the future.

6. **Approval of the Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee January 10, 2023, meeting addendum report.** The oversight committee approved its January 10, 2023, meeting addendum report.
7. **Report from the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Oversight Committee Competition Committee.** Due to time constraints, the oversight committee will address this agenda item at its next meeting.
8. **Review of proposed playing rules changes for the 2023 playing season and beyond.** Due to time constraints, the oversight committee will address this agenda item at its next meeting.
9. **Future meetings and teleconferences.**
 - April 18 videoconference – 1 to 3 p.m. Eastern
 - April 21 videoconference – 1 to 3 p.m. Eastern (joint with NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Oversight Committee).
 - May 10 videoconference – 2 to 4 p.m. Eastern.

Committee Chair: Jamie Boggs, Grand Canyon University
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 Meeting March 1, 2023
Attendees:
Kelly Barsky, University of California, Santa Barbara.
Jamie Boggs, Grand Canyon University.
Jackie Carson, Furman University.
Danielle Donehew, Women's Basketball Coaches Association (nonvoting member).
Rich Ensor, Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference.
Darrice Griffin, University of Georgia.
David Harris, University of Northern Iowa.
Julie Roe Lach, Horizon League.
Kathy Meehan, St. John's University (New York).
Jill Shields, Kansas State University (nonvoting member).
Absentees:
Ketra Armstrong, University of Michigan (nonvoting member).
Irma Garcia, St. Francis College Brooklyn.
Katie Meier, University of Miami (Florida).
Olivia Summiel, Wake Forest University.
Guest(s) in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Meredith Cleaver and Binh Nguyen.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Lynne Andrew, Emily Capehart, Jenn Fraser, Kelsi Mahoney, Courtney Moore, Amy Reis, Jenn Samble, Rachel Seewald and Kelsey Gurganus-Wright.