

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE MARCH 19, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Welcome. The call commenced at 11:02 p.m. Eastern Time. Staff welcomed the committee and reviewed the agenda.

2. COVID-19 Impact and Updates.

- a. <u>Division III Commissioner Association Google Docs</u>. Staff updated the committee regarding Google Docs established by Division III Commissioners Association to address questions regarding the following:
 - (1) <u>General Compliance/Waiver</u>. Jeff Myers, director of academic and membership services for Division III, is monitoring these questions. AMA, championships and governance staff are working closely with the commissioners to find the most consistent and educational way to communicate to the membership regarding the following: (1) Waivers; (2) Playing and practice seasons; (3) Eligibility; (4) Institutional Study Guides; and (5) Regional Rules Seminars.
 - Staff noted that commissioners are beginning to get questions regarding the blanket waiver approved for spring sports and if a dual-sport student-athlete (who played in a winter sport), would trigger use of eligibility. An interpretation will be issued in the near future.
 - (2) <u>NCAA Conference Grant</u>. Ali Spungen, associate director of Division III, is managing these questions. The Strategic Planning and Finance Committee will review blanket waivers for conferences during its upcoming teleconference regarding: (1) Unused funds in Tier I, Tier II and Tier III due to COVID-19; and (2) Allowing conferences that were approved rollover funds for 2019-20 an additional year to use the funds.
 - (3) Other Questions regarding COVID-19. Division III Governance staff is monitoring general questions.

b. <u>Budget</u>. Staff reviewed the impact on the Division III budget due to the loss of Association-wide revenue generated by the Division I Men's Basketball Tournament and other champiohships. Each division is expected to lose approximately 70% of its annual revenue for 2019-20. The Division III impact will be a reduction of approximately \$22 million, leaving the annual revenue at \$10.6 million.

Staff noted that the Strategic Planning and Finance Committee will review and make recommendations during next week's teleconference.

- **3. Membership Correspondence**. Membership correspondence went out last week that detailed actions approved by the Administrative Committee during its March 13, 2020, teleconference. In addition, the committee reviewed correspondence from Donald Remy, chief operating officer, regarding the preliminary procedures currently taken by the NCAA, noting the cancellation of championships and other NCAA programs until May 31.
- **Name, Image and Likeness Update.** The committee noted the Association is still committed to this initiative and will continue to move forward, with any legislation to be voted on at the January 2021 NCAA Convention. Division III will host a related webinar Wednesday, April 1 at 1 p.m. Eastern time.
- **5. Adjournment.** The committee adjourned at 11:48 a.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Tori Murden McClure, Spalding University Staff Liaisons: Dan Dutcher, Division III Governance

Debbie Kresge, Division III Governance Louise McCleary, Division III Governance

Jeff Myers, Academic and Membership Affairs

Ali Spungen, Division III Governance

NCAA Division III Administrative Committee

March 19, 2020, Teleconference

Attendees:

Heather Benning, Midwest Conference.

Gerard Bryant, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.

Tori Murden McClure, Spalding University.

Dennis Shields, University of Wisconsin, Platteville.

Staff:

Dan Dutcher, Debbie Kresge, Louise McCleary, Jeff Myers, Adam Skaggs, Ali Spungen and Liz Suscha.