



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
PLAYING AND PRACTICE SEASONS SUBCOMMITTEE
JUNE 3, 2020, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **Playing and Practice Seasons – Fall Preseason Practice Formula – All Fall Sports (including Football) – 17.02.12 and 17.10.2.1.**
 - (1) Recommendation. Waive the existing method for establishing the first permissible practice date and allow the first permissible practice date for all fall sports to be August 10 or the first day of class, whichever is earlier; and allow institutions to have unlimited administrative days to conduct non-athletically related activities (i.e., those days in which the institution may provide housing and meal expenses to student-athletes prior to the start of practice).
 - (2) Effective Date. Immediate. The subcommittee noted the recommendation would apply for the 2020-21 academic year.
 - (3) Rationale. The subcommittee seeks to provide institutions appropriate flexibility to conduct their preseason in the manner that reflects the best interest of their campus, staff and student-athletes. The subcommittee noted that given the uncertainty of scheduling this fall as well as the myriad of health and safety considerations (including the information provided in the Core Principles of Resocialization of Sport), the current method is not sufficient to establish the first practice date. While institutions are not required to strictly apply the Core Principles of Resocialization, including the phase-in periods, Division III legislation should permit its implementation.
 - (4) Budget Impact. None.
 - (5) Student-Athlete Impact. Provides flexibility to institutions to conduct their preseason in a manner that helps ensure the health and safety of student-athletes and reflects their best interests.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** Laura Mooney welcomed the subcommittee members.

2. **Review NCAA Division III Management Council Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee April 13, 2020, report.** The subcommittee reviewed and approved the report from its May 22, 2020, teleconference.
3. **Review of 2020 NCAA Division III COVID-19 Question and Answer Guide - Bylaw 17 Playing and Practice Seasons.** The subcommittee reviewed an updated version of the 2020 NCAA Division III COVID-19 Question and Answer Guide - Bylaw 17 Playing and Practice Seasons. The subcommittee did not have any additional recommendations to the document.
4. **Review of Division III Commissioners Association Fall 2020 Scheduling and Championships Survey for Directors of Athletics.** The subcommittee reviewed the feedback from the Division III Commissioners Association Fall 2020 Scheduling and Championships Survey for Director of Athletics
5. **Future meetings.** June 17, 2020.
6. **Adjournment.** The subcommittee adjourned at 11:12 a.m. Eastern time.

Committee Chair: Laura Mooney, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
Staff Liaisons: Tiffany Alford, Academic and Membership Affairs
Laura Peterson, Championships and Corporate Alliances
Zach Romash, Academic and Membership Affairs

NCAA Division III Management Council Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee June 3, 2020, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Sarah Feyerherm, Washington College (Maryland).	
Catherine Lanigan, Juniata College.	
Laura Mooney, chair; Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts.	
Kandis Schram, Maryville College (Tennessee).	
Joseph Walsh, Great Northeast Athletic Conference.	
Michelle Walsh, Vassar College.	
Absentee	
Michael Vienna, Emory University.	
NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Tiffany Alford, Laura Peterson and Zach Romash.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Dan Dutcher; Jeff Myers.	