

# REPORT OF THE NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS MAY 27, 2021, VIDEOCONFERENCE

## **ACTION ITEMS**:

• None.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- 1. Welcome and announcements. NCAA Board of Governors chair President John DeGioia convened the videoconference at approximately 3 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed the Governors.
- **2.** Consent agenda. By way of a consent agenda, the Board of Governors approved the report of its April 27, 2021, videoconference, and the appointment of two new members to the NCAA Board of Governors Student-Athlete Engagement Committee.
- **3.** NCAA president's report. NCAA President Mark Emmert provided brief comments on several issues facing the Association that were part of the Governors meeting agenda.
- **4. NCAA Board of Governors Executive Committee report**. President DeGioia reported that the Executive Committee, serving as the nominating committee, reviewed nominations submitted for the vacant independent member position on the board. Present DeGioia noted that the nominating committee unanimously voted to recommend that Nadja West, retired United States Army lieutenant general, serve on the Board of Governors.

#### It was VOTED

"That the Board of Governors approve Nadja West to serve as an independent member of the Board of Governors, effective August 1, 2021." **Approved** (Unanimous voice vote.)

- 5. Status report on NCAA championships gender equity review. The Board of Governors received a status report on the championships gender equity review, which included information about stakeholder groups with which Kaplan has engaged, common issues that have been identified and the anticipated timeline for the completion of the report. Kaplan representatives noted that they are on track to complete their report by mid- to late July.
- **6. Update on name, image and likeness.** The board discussed recent Congressional action and a potential Senate bill related to name, image and likeness. The board also received an update on the current state legislative landscape regarding NIL and the upcoming July 1 effective date for legislation in several states. Lastly, the board was reminded of the status of proposed NCAA legislation in all three divisions as well as the plan to address any conflicts with state legislation.
- 7. Executive session. The governors concluded the meeting in executive session to discuss various administrative matters.
- **8. Adjournment.** The videoconference adjourned at approximately 4:43 p.m. Eastern time. *Board of Governors chair: John DeGioia, Georgetown University*

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Staff liaison: Jacqueline Campbell, Law, Policy and Governance

# NCAA Board of Governors May 27, 2021, Videoconference

### **Attendees:**

Rebecca Blank, University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Grace Calhoun, University of Pennsylvania.

Rita Cheng, Northern Arizona University.

Mary Sue Coleman, Association of American Universities.

John DeGioia, Georgetown University.

Philip DiStefano, University of Colorado.

Mark Emmert, NCAA.

Jason Fein, Bates College.

Allison Garrett, Emporia State University.

Robert Gates, Former U.S. Secretary of Defense.

Troy Hammond, North Central College.

Burns Hargis, Oklahoma State University.

James Harris, University of San Diego.

Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.

Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.

Sandra Jordan, University of South Carolina Aiken.

Renu Khator, University of Houston.

Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.

Denise Trauth, Texas State University.

Satish Tripathi, University at Buffalo, The State University of New York.

Randy Woodson, North Carolina State University.

#### **Absentees:**

Ken Chenault, General Catalyst.

Jere Morehead, University of Georgia.

David Wilson, Morgan State University.

#### **Guests in Attendance:**

Susanne Sachsman Grooms, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.

Roberta Kaplan, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.

Rakesh Kilaru, Wilkinson Stekloff LLP.

Gabrielle E. Tenzer, Kaplan Hecker & Fink LLP.

## NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Jacqueline Campbell.

### **Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**

Scott Bearby, Kimberly Fort, Dan Gavitt. Derrick Gragg, Terri Gronau, Brian Hainline, Kevin Lennon, Louise McCleary, Kathleen McNeely, Stacey Osburn, Cari Van Senus, Stan Wilcox and Bob Williams.

Report is not final until approval of the Board of Governors