



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
OCTOBER 25, 2022, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

1. The NCAA Board of Governors approved a consultative process, which is a new requirement set forth in NCAA Constitution Article 2-A-3-d. The process focuses on providing visibility to divisional presidential leadership bodies on Board of Governors meetings, and issues including but not limited to evaluation of the NCAA president, legal strategy and risk mitigation, and government and policy matters that affect the Association. The consultative process also includes a process for Association contracts involving media rights and revenue producing agreements.
2. The Board of Governors voted to eliminate the NCAA Research Committee and directed the divisional governance bodies to pursue appropriate legislative actions necessary to remove the NCAA Research Committee.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Welcome and announcements.** President Linda Livingstone, chair of the NCAA Board of Governors, convened the meeting at approximately 1 p.m. Eastern time and welcomed the Governors. President Livingstone also introduced Stephanie Quigg, the new NCAA managing director of governance and policy and Board of Governors liaison.
2. **NCAA Board of Governors August 2, 2022, videoconference report.** The Board of Governors reviewed and approved its August 2, 2022, videoconference report.
3. **NCAA president's report.** President Mark Emmert introduced and welcomed Mario Morris, the new NCAA Chief Financial Officer. President Emmert also provided a summary of his views on key issues facing the Association.
4. **Board of Governors vice chair election.** The Board of Governors unanimously voted to appoint President Steven Shirley as vice chair, effective upon adjournment of the meeting.
5. **Board of Governors Processes and Procedures.**
  - a. **Review and discussion of Board of Governors Consultative Process.** The board received an update on the consultative process that will be used with each division's Board of Directors or Presidents Councils, which is a new requirement set forth in NCAA Constitution Article 2-A-3-d. The consultative process focuses on providing visibility to divisional presidential leadership bodies on Board of Governors meetings to solicit comment in advance and reporting out on board action and

discussion. The consultative process may also be used to solicit feedback on matters pertaining to the evaluation of the NCAA president, legal strategy and risk mitigation, and government relations and policy matters that affect the Association as a whole. The consultative process also includes a process for Association contracts involving media rights and revenue producing agreements [see NCAA Constitution Article 2-A-3-d-(iii)].

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors approve the consultative process, including the process regarding Association contracts involving media rights and revenue producing agreements.”

- b. **Update on Association-wide committees.** The board received an update on a preliminary review of NCAA Association-wide committees and potential changes to better align the committees’ work with the new NCAA Constitution. The result of the preliminary review was a recommendation to eliminate the NCAA Research Committee; as over time the work in this area changed and did not appear to be necessary to serve the membership.

It was VOTED

“That the Board of Governors approve the elimination of the NCAA Research Committee and direct the divisional governance bodies to pursue the appropriate legislative actions necessary to remove the Research Committee.”

- 6. **Update on Board of Governors Subcommittee on Congressional Engagement and Action.** President John DeGioia, Board of Governors member and the NCAA senior vice president of governance and policy, provided an update on the work of the subcommittee to date, specific to the increasing legislative and legal pressures that require federal intervention to advance intercollegiate athletics. The board also invited retained consultants to provide a summary of information shared with the subcommittee to advance its committee work, including the development of a potential legislative framework, government relations strategy, and a membership socialization and public affairs campaign. The Board of Governors endorsed the subcommittee’s anticipated timeline, and the continued development of the legislative framework, membership socialization and public affairs campaign.

- a. **Government relations strategy.** The board received an update on a draft government relations strategy, including a timeline with multiple phases, for engagement with members of Congress. Staff shared information about potential congressional staff and member engagement, stakeholder meetings, and advocacy implementation.

- b. **Review and discussion of membership socialization and public affairs campaign.** The board was informed of a draft member socialization strategy that focuses on informing NCAA members and industry stakeholders about NCAA efforts to partner with Congress. The strategy mirrors the timeline and multiple phases in the draft government relations strategy. The Governors noted that the membership from all three divisions must speak with one voice with key stakeholders, policy influencers and during congressional engagement.
7. **NCAA Championships Host Non-Discrimination Policy.** President Livingstone reviewed a memorandum from the Division I Strategic Vision and Planning Committee regarding the NCAA championships host non-discrimination policy. NCAA general counsel highlighted the Board of Governors previous decision to focus on educating the membership and potential championship hosts on the application of the NCAA nondiscrimination policy.
8. **Revenue opportunities.** The board received an update on NCAA championships and media activation rights. Staff noted current media rights, and media/broadcast rights that are expiring in August 2024. The board discussed key dates and considerations for future negotiations, and asked staff to report back in January 2023.
9. **Board of Governors Finance and Audit Committee report.** Beth DeBauche, chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, presented the committee's report. DeBauche noted the completion of the 2021-22 NCAA Internal Audit, which reassures the NCAA's internal control structure.
10. **Update on search for new NCAA president.** President Livingstone provided an update on the search process and timeline for a new NCAA president.
11. **Other business.** President Livingstone provided an update on the status of work in Phase II of the gender equity review and requested a staff report during its meeting in January 2023, regarding fall 2022 NCAA championships.
12. **Executive session.** The board convened in executive session to discuss various administrative matters.
13. **Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6 p.m. Eastern time.

NCAA Board of Governors October 25, 2022, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Javaune Adams-Gaston, Norfolk State University.	
Bryce Choate, Graduated Division I student-athlete.	
Mary-Beth Cooper, Springfield College.	
Beth DeBauche, Ohio Valley Conference.	
John DeGioia, Georgetown University.	
Mark Emmert, NCAA.	
Grant Hill, CBS/Warner Media/Atlanta Hawks.	
Jim Johnson, Pittsburg State University.	
Linda Livingstone, Baylor University.	
Shane Lyons, West Virginia University.	
Madeline McKenna, Graduated Division II student-athlete.	
Jere Morehead, University of Georgia.	
Michelle Morgan, John Carroll University.	
Steven Shirley, Minot State University.	
Isaiah Swann, Graduated Division III student-athlete.	
Nadja West, MD, retired United States Army lieutenant general and 44 <sup>th</sup> U.S. Army Surgeon General.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
Andrew Bleeker, BPI.	
Robert Gibbs, BPI.	
Graves Spindler, BPI.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Stephanie Quigg and Cari Van Senus.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Scott Bearby, Joni Comstock, Dawn Buth, Kelly Dodds, Dan Gavitt, Terri Gronau, Charlie Henry, Gina Lehe, Kevin Lennon, Kim Oren, Louise McCleary, Mario Morris and Dave Schnase.	