

# REPORT OF THE NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL APRIL 29, 2020, TELECONFERENCE

## ACTION ITEMS.

None.

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **1. Welcome and announcements.** The chair welcomed the panel members and thanked them for their time.
- **2. Duties and conflict of interest.** The panel reviewed the panel duties and the Conflict of Interest Policy from the Playing Rules Oversight Panel Policies and Procedures Manual.
- **3. Review of the report of the April 20, 2020, PROP teleconference.** The panel reviewed and approved the report as written.
- **4. Delaying the implementation dates of selected rules changes with potential financial impact.** Due to the financial challenges that many NCAA conferences and institutions are experiencing as the result of COVID-19, the committee voted to delay by one year the implementation date of five playing rules changes that have a potential financial impact that were scheduled to go into effect during the 2020-21 academic year. The affected rules changes include the following:
  - **Baseball.** Divisions II and III regular-season baseball bat testing delayed until Spring 2022 season (although a visual inspection of bats required for the 2021 season).
  - Men's Basketball. Divisions II and III new three-point line delayed until 2021-22 season.
  - Men's Lacrosse. Divisions I, II and III second visible shot clock delayed until Spring 2022 season.
  - **Softball**. Division I regular-season barrel compression testing delayed until Spring 2022 season (which is the same as Divisions II and III).
  - **Swimming and Diving**. Divisions II and III required minimum number of officials (depending on the size of the meet) delayed until 2021-22 season.
- **5. Future meeting dates and times.** The panel reviewed upcoming teleconference dates and times.

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#### **Attendees:**

Robin Baker, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Steve Card, Western Washington University.

Keith Gill, Sun Belt Conference.

Jennifer Heppel, Patriot League.

David Hicks, King University.

Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference.

Dave Roach, Fordham University.

Chris Schneider, Big East Conference.

Ronda Seagraves, Concordia University Texas.

Angie Torain, University of Notre Dame.

Matt Wilson, Gulf South Conference.

Gary Williams, Wittenberg University.

## **Absentees:**

None.

#### NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:

Ben Brownlee, Dan Calandro, Jay Fitzwater, Ashlee Follis, Barb Hallam, Anthony Holman, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.

## Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Greg Johnson and Candace Martin.