REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
JUNE 12, 2018, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

• None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Welcome and announcements. The chair welcomed those on the call and thanked everyone for their time.

2. Review of the PROP May 11, 2018, teleconference report. The panel reviewed and approved the May 11 teleconference report as amended to add the following sentence to the end of the second paragraph in Item No. 3: “The panel also encouraged those groups charged with defining the details of the approved 20 headset rule to allow FCS (and Divisions II and III, if appropriate) flexibility to apply the headset limitations in a manner that takes into account differences in legislative restrictions on the number of countable coaches and graduate assistants, while not exceeding the overall maximum limit of 20 headsets.”

3. NCAA Men’s and Women’s Swimming and Diving Committee annual meeting report. The panel reviewed the rules committee’s May 14-17 annual meeting report. No rules changes were recommended since it is a non-rules change year.

4. NCAA Wrestling Rules Committee annual meeting report. The panel reviewed the rules committee’s April 9-11 annual meeting report. No rules changes were recommended since it is a non-rules change year.

5. NCAA Men’s Basketball Rules Committee annual meeting report and comment period report. The panel reviewed the rules committee’s May 9-11 annual meeting report. Although this is a non-rule change year for men’s basketball, the panel approved two rules changes due to extenuating circumstances. One rules change relates to health and safety and permits elbow, hand, finger, wrist or forearm guards, casts or braces made of fiberglass, plaster, metal or other non-pliable substance to be used by players during competition as long as the protective device is completely covered with not less than ½-inch thickness of slow-rebounding foam. The second rules change is an adjustment to a rule that was implemented the previous season by further delineating the types of delays of games caused by a coach from types of delays caused by a player.

6. NCAA Women’s Basketball Rules Committee annual meeting report and comment period report. The panel reviewed the rules committee’s May 9-11 annual meeting report. While it was not a rules change year for women’s basketball, the panel approved one rule change proposal related to health and safety. The change permits elbow, hand, finger, wrist or forearm guards, casts or braces made of fiberglass, plaster, metal or other non-pliable
substance to be used by players during competition as long as the protective device is completely covered with not less than ½-inch thickness of slow-rebounding foam.

7. **NCAA Divisions I, II and III Women’s Field Hockey Committees joint annual meeting report and comment period.** The panel reviewed and approved one rule modification, which shortens overtime to two 10-minute “sudden victory” periods.

8. **NCAA Volleyball Rules Committee email vote report and experimental rule request.** The panel reviewed and approved an experimental rule request by the Southeastern Conference which allows the third referee to review all challenges in lieu of the second referee for all 2018 regular season conference matches. The third referee would have the final decision to confirm or reverse the original ruling, or determine if the review was inconclusive.

9. **Secretary-rules editor/rules interpreter performance evaluation process.** Staff reviewed the draft of an annual performance evaluation form for secretary-rules editors/rules interpreters. The staff will begin using the form to assist the rules committees and staff in assessing the performance of the secretary-rules/rules interpreters.

10. **Adjournment.** The teleconference was adjourned at 1:35 p.m. Eastern time.

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**Committee Chair:** Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference  
**Staff Liaisons:** Ben Brownlee, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating  
Dan Calandro, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating  
Ashlee Follis, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating  
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Rachel Seewald, Championships and Alliances, Playing Rules and Officiating  
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**Attendees:**
- Pat Britz, South Atlantic Conference.  
- Jennifer Heppel, Patriot League.  
- Jeff Hurd, Western Athletic Conference.  
- Dave Roach, Fordham University.  
- Chris Schneider, Big East Conference.  
- Angie Torain, University of Notre Dame.  
- Matt Wilson, Gulf South Conference.

**Absentees:**
- Julie Johnson, Ripon College.
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**NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:**

- Ben Brownlee, Dan Calandro, Ashlee Follis, Ty Halpin, Rachel Seewald and Andy Supergan.

**Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**

- Greg Johnson.