



REPORT OF THE  
NCAA WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS COMMITTEE  
JULY 11, 2017, TELECONFERENCE

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative items.**

- None.

**2. Nonlegislative items.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

**1. Review of rule modification.** The committee approved a recommendation to allow gymnasts the option to mount off of a four-inch mat on top of a sting mat on uneven bars and balance beam. This proposal will be reviewed by the Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP).

**2. Video review in the postseason.**

a. Regionals. The committee approved a recommendation from the coaches association to allow video review at regional rounds for the women's gymnastics championship. Video review is in place for the regular season and allowing it at regionals provides another avenue to ensure the correct teams are advancing to the championship site. PROP reviewed and approved the recommendation during their August meeting as part of the regular rule modification process.

b. National championship. The committee discussed the feasibility of implementing video review at the championship site. The committee asked staff to continue gathering information on the costs and logistics for allowing video review. Unlike regional and regular-season meets, the national championship is conducted on a podium and coaches must be in corrals on the floor, so handheld devices may not have the best vantage point to capture routines. Additionally, since the championship is broadcast by ESPN, they have rights to all footage. ESPN will allow the committee to use any footage they have, but they do not provide the equipment or staffing to actually conduct the review. Therefore, the host site would have to provide the equipment and staffing or the NCAA would need to hire an outside vendor.

**3. Advancement procedures for 2018.** The committee discussed but did not approve a concept to have only four teams advance to the team championship at the finals site for 2018. The

committee is fully supportive of the bracket model proposed for 2019 but wanted to keep the 2018 championship consistent with the current format.

- 4. Other business.** The committee discussed the timeline for review of the proposed bracket model. Staff indicated that the Division I Competition Oversight Committee would review the proposal at the October in-person meeting. Staff also shared information about the tentative communication plan with the regional sites for 2019-22, should the model be approved and the sites be reduced from six to four.

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