

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEES APRIL 28, 2025, JOINT MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **1. Approval of October 2024 and January 2025 reports.** The committees reviewed and approved the October 2024 and January 2025 reports.
- **2. Governance updates.** The committees received updates from the Division II governance staff, including an overview of the 2024-25 Division II priorities.
- 3. AMA updates. The committees received updates from the AMA basketball liaisons, including an overview of legislation adopted at the 2025 NCAA Convention, the Division II Legislation Committee's review of NCAA Division II Bylaws 15 (financial aid) and 17 (playing and practice seasons), and the Eligibility Review Working Group. The committees were informed that the Division II membership received a survey seeking feedback on four eligibility concepts. The survey will close May 1.

Additionally, committee members shared the ongoing discussions within the membership about the start date legislation and the potential for a membership-sponsored proposal being submitted for the 2026 Convention.

4. Broadcast updates. The committees received updates from the broadcast liaison, including viewership numbers for the 2025 Men's and Women's Elite Eight. This was the first year that the championships were included in the ESPN agreement. The men's and women's quarterfinals and semifinals, as well as the women's championship game, were aired on ESPN+. The men's championship was aired on CBS as part of the contract that runs through 2032.

The committees also began discussing potential broadcast enhancements for the 2026 championships, including the timing of media day and push-to-talk technology for officials.

5. Championships Committee updates. The committees received an update on the Championships Committee's review of NPI. Both committees have been asked to provide feedback on potentially using NPI for selections. This feedback will be reviewed by the Championships Committee at the June 25-26 meeting.

The committees also discussed the 2027-30 triennial budget cycle. Coaches Connection has been asked for feedback on any potential budget requests that should be submitted. Additionally, the committees reiterated their support for the regionalization review and bracketing flexibility should budget dollars become available in the future.

The committees expressed continued interest in conference championships concluding on Saturday and noted that, if the approach to bracketing is ultimately changed, this additional time will be important to maintain a Sunday selection show.

6. 2026 championship schedule. The committees discussed a draft schedule for the 2026 Division II Men's and Women's Elite Eight, which will be a joint event in Pittsburgh. The committees provided feedback to the staff with suggested edits and the committees will review the updated schedule in a future meeting.

7. Future meetings.

- 2025-26 academic year videoconference schedule to be determined.
- April 27-28, 2026 (annual meeting in Indianapolis).

Committee Chairs: Andy Peterson, Northwest Missouri State University

Erika Wallace, Wayne State University (Michigan)

Staff Liaisons: Mitchell Bailey, Championships and Alliances

Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees:

Amy Anderson, Arkansas Tech University.

Ken Badylak, Kentucky Wesleyan College.

Jenepher Banker, Daemen University.

Michelle Caddigan, Catawba College (via videoconference).

Christine Collins-Kiernan, Concordia University Irvine.

Allie De Witt, Mountain East Conference.

Daryl Gross, California State University, Los Angeles.

Randy Loggins, Converse University.

Mike MacDonald, Daemen University.

Tiffany McCampbell, Colorado School of Mines.

Pryor Orser, Colorado School of Mines.

Andy Peterson, Northwest Missouri State University.

Mark Richard, University of Montevallo.

Erika Wallace, Wayne State University (Michigan).

Stephanie Yelton, University of West Florida.

Absentees:

None.

Guests in Attendance:

Chris Richardson, Wheeling University.

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Mitchell Bailey, Men's Basketball Championships.

Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Jordan Lysiak and Angela Red.