



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE  
MAY 8, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **NCAA Power Index (NPI) Overview.** Tim Danehy, the creator of the Pairwise metric that eventually evolved into the NPI, joined the videoconference to explain the metric to the committee and provide examples of how it could be used to inform how best to conduct championship selections.

The NPI, which has been used in Division I and Division III men's ice hockey for several years and which Division III adopted this year for all team sport committees to use, is a system of statistical data that objectively applies the selection criteria to the data based on a sport committee's established weighted criteria. The NPI is a combination of winning percentage; strength of schedule; home-away multiplier; quality win bonus; and overtime results (when relevant). The metric can be adjusted by what are referred to as "dials," or specific components of the metric that each sport committee has the authority to set, thus placing any desired subjectivity within the criteria themselves that are then applied objectively.

The committee also reviewed sport-specific information comparing the teams selected by the sport committee to two versions of NPI (using the default dials and the Division III respective sport dials) dating to the 2021-22 academic year. The committee's feedback will be shared with the Division II Championships Committee during the June 25-26, 2025 meeting.

2. **Future Meetings.** To be determined.

*Committee Chair:* Andy Peterson, Northwest Missouri State University  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Mitchell Bailey, Men's Basketball Championships

NCAA Division II Men's Basketball Committee May 8, 2025, Videoconference	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Ken Badylak, Kentucky Wesleyan College.	
Michelle Caddigan, Catawba College.	
Mike MacDonald, Daemen University.	
Pryor Orser, Colorado School of Mines.	
Andy Peterson, Northwest Missouri State University.	
Mark Richard, University of Montevallo.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Daryl Gross, California State University, Los Angeles.	

<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
Tim Danehy.
<b>NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:</b>
Mitchell Bailey.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Karen Kirsch.