



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE
APRIL 24 AND MAY 5, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCES**

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 meeting.

2. Future Meetings.

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

Committee Chair: Erika Wallace, Wayne State University (Michigan)
Staff Liaison : Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division II Women's Basketball Committee April 24 and May 5, 2025, Videoconferences	
Attendees:	
Amy Anderson, Arkansas Tech University.	
Jenepher Banker, Daemen University.	
Christine Collins-Kiernan, Concordia University Irvine (May 5 videoconference only).	
Allie De Witt, Mountain East Conference.	
Randy Loggins, Converse University.	

Erika Wallace, Wayne State University (Michigan).
Stephanie Yelton, University of West Florida.
Absentees:
Tiffany McCampbell, Colorado School of Mines.
Guests in Attendance:
Tim Danehy (April 24 videoconference only).
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:
Karen Kirsch
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
CJ Sowards.