



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE  
JUNE 10, 2024, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative items.**

- None.

**2. Nonlegislative items.**

- **Video review requirements for preliminary-round hosts.**
  - a. Recommendation. That to host any round of the Division III Men's Basketball Championship, the institution must provide a video review setup. Minimum requirements include one camera angle and a rewindable stream.
  - b. Effective date. 2025 championship.
  - c. Rationale. Video review has been used for many years in the semifinal and championship rounds, which has added value to those rounds of the tournament. The committee recommends requiring video review capabilities for all rounds and host sites to ensure a consistent student-athlete experience. Further, it is important for coaches to have consistent procedures throughout the championship to mitigate navigating unfamiliar rules and policies for the first time during the semifinals and finals. Video review is becoming more common in regular-season play and conference tournaments, given the ease of access to technology and streaming capabilities. Most Division III institutions already have a rewindable live stream for home competitions, even if they do not currently use video review. Every game in the 2024 Division III Men's Basketball Championship was livestreamed from a center court camera angle by the host institutions. The only equipment needed for review is a laptop or iPad at the scorer's table. Many institutions can use hard-wired internet at the scorer's table, reducing any concern about internet reliability for streaming. The committee does not believe this would be cost prohibitive for institutions. During the NCAA tournament, there is an alternate official at the scorer's table who could assist with video review procedures.

Based on an informal poll, 12 conferences indicated using video review during the regular season or for postseason competition in some capacity. Many conferences are considering video review for the future.

Having the ability to use video review to help officials make accurate calls or even game outcomes (e.g., whether a shot is released before the time expires) is paramount for the integrity of the sport. Division III would follow the rules for video review that are already in place for Division I as laid out in Rule 11 of the NCAA Men's Basketball Rules. The committee strives to facilitate an elevated experience during the championship competition for student-athletes, coaches, and institutions. Given the increasing use of video review during the regular season and conference tournaments, the committee presumes that the lack of video review for the preliminary rounds would result in a diminished experience for many participating teams. Most institutions have the ability

to provide this service; thus, the committee feels strongly that video review should be provided throughout all rounds of the championship and that it's a reasonable expectation for prospective hosts.

- d. Estimated budget impact. None.
- e. Student-athlete impact. If approved, this would raise the quality of the student-athlete experience for all rounds of the championship.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

1. **Agenda.** The committee reviewed the meeting agenda prior to moving on with the first item.
2. **2024 championship review.** The committee noted the attendance record set at the 2024 Division III Men's Basketball Championship game. The committee also discussed tournament tip times as well as shootaround and practice times throughout the tournament.
3. **Committee roster.** The committee reviewed its upcoming roster for the 2024-25 season and elected John Alesi as the chair for 2024-25 and Cam Fuller and David McGreal as the vice-chairs.
4. **2026 joint championship.** The committee reviewed the proposed schedule for the 2026 Men's Basketball Joint Championship that will be held in Indianapolis at Gainbridge Fieldhouse.
5. **NPI.** The committee reviewed the dial settings for the NPI system, focusing at length on the existing settings. Committee members also reviewed the format for the Top 16 reveal and discussed other ideas to generate excitement for the tournament if the Top 16 reveal is removed from the schedule.
6. **2026-28 finals site locations.** The committee received a brief overview of the five options for potential finals site locations in 2026 through 2028. The committee scheduled another meeting for early July to finalize recommendations for this bid cycle.
7. **2024-25 committee calendar.** The committee reviewed the 2024-25 committee schedule as well as the 2025 NCAA Division III Men's Basketball Championship dates.

*Committee Chair:* Luke Flockerzi, University of Rochester.  
*Staff Liaison:* Alex Dickey, Championships and Alliances.

Division III Men's Basketball Committee June 10, 2024, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Paul Booth, Norwich University.	
Stephanie Dollar, University of Massachusetts Boston.	

Luke Flockerzi, University of Rochester.
John Alesi, Baruch College.
Gary Stewart, Stevenson University.
Danny Miller, Averett University.
Cam Fuller, St. Norbert College.
Doc Eslinger, California Institute of Technology.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Tim Grosz, University of Northwestern-St. Paul.
David McGreal, Penn State University, Altoona
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
None.
<b>NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:</b>
Alex Dickey.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
None.