

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD AND CROSS COUNTRY COMMITTEE MARCH 5, 2025, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **1. Approval of recent report.** The NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Committee approved the February committee report as written.
- 2. 100m wheelchair championships. The committee reviewed a request from the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee to have the 100m wheelchair championships conducted closer to the start of the broadcast window at the NCAA outdoor track and field championships this June in Oregon. The committee accommodated the request by agreeing to move the start of the men's and women's wheelchair championships from 40 minutes prior to 10 minutes prior to the start of the broadcast window at the championships.
- 3. Use of warm-up lanes at the 2025 indoor track and field championships. The committee discussed the limited number of lanes and space available in the actual track surface warm-up area for the upcoming championships. The committee approved a schedule that limited event by event access to this space and limited the use of the space to only events that use block starts. One coach per athlete will be allowed into this space, which will be monitored and controlled by different colored wristbands based on each event.
- **4. Committee itinerary at upcoming indoor track and field championships.** The committee reviewed the itinerary and assignments for the indoor track and field championships in Virgina Beach, Virginia, on March 14 and 15.
- **5. Pole vault runway designation at the 2025 indoor track and field championships.** The committee elected to pursue changing which pole vault runway is used at the upcoming championships. Originally, the committee elected to use the shorter runway on the outside to allow more space for the high jump competitions, but the committee now feels the longer runway for pole vault should be considered to allow for longer pole vault approaches. The committee will make a final determination during its championship walkthrough on March 11.

Committee Chair: Karina Handeland, University of Portland, West Coast Conference

Staff Liaison: Jeff Mlynski, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees:
Ritchie Beene, Alabama State University.
Cody Brousek, University of Nebraska, Lincoln.
Jason Drake, California State University, Fresno.
Emily Fulton, Virginia Military Institute.
Asha Gibson-Smith, Austin Peay State University.
Sean Graham, American University.
Karina Handeland, University of Portland.
Shirelle Jackson, University of Miami (Florida).
Funmi Jimoh, Rice University.
Connie Price-Smith, University of Mississippi.
Dave Smith, Oklahoma State University.
Diane Turnham, Middle Tennessee State University.
Absentees:
None.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Jeff Mlynski.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance: