



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II FIELD HOCKEY COMMITTEE
APRIL 25, 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.** The 2025-26 meetings will begin in August.

Committee Chair: Julie Munson, Southern New Hampshire University, Northeast-10 Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Ryan Richardson, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division II Field Hockey Committee April 25, 2025, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Renee Hellert, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.	
Julie Munson, Southern New Hampshire University.	
Jessica Roque, Adelphi University.	
Rayell Wallace, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Absentees:	
None.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Tim Danehy, NPI.	

NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:
Ryan Richardson, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.