



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I FIELD HOCKEY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND THE NCAA DIVISION II AND III
FIELD HOCKEY COMMITTEES
JAN. 27, 2026, JOINT MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Approval of 2024-25 joint annual meeting report.** The committees approved the 2024-25 joint committee report as submitted.
- 2. Divisional championship reports.** The chairs of the NCAA Divisions I, II and III Field Hockey Committees provided updates on their respective championships and noted their respective national champions: Northwestern (Division I); Shippensburg (Division II); and Tufts (Division III). The committees discussed the student-athlete experience at each championship, video referral, and NCAA Power Index as a hot topic in Division II and Division III.
- 3. Playing rules and officiating.**
 - a. Playing rules update.** Cheryl Bruttomesso, NCAA field hockey rules interpreter, joined the meeting to discuss proposed rules modifications for 2026 that the NCAA Division I and Division II/III field hockey rules subcommittees will consider at a subsequent meeting. Ms. Bruttomesso was pleased with the additional steps taken prior to the coaches receiving the proposals to help clarify the process. Ms. Bruttomesso noted the feedback from the coaches association convention and top priorities to discuss for the rules meetings happening later in the day.
 - b. Overtime discussion.** The committees also discussed the overtime rules proposal at length during the meeting in advance of the new divisional rules meetings later that day.
 - c. National coordinator of officials and rules interpreter feedback.** The committees provided feedback on Mr. Vaughan's and Ms. Bruttomesso's performance that NCAA staff will share with them during the performance review process. The committees urged continued progress in the officiating landscape and discussed strategies to be more transparent and visible with the officiating and coaching community in the sport. The committees specifically noted the desire for more collaboration between the conference assignors and the national assignor but did commend the progress that has been made with communication over the last few years.
- 4. Dates for 2027 annual meeting.** The committees agreed to hold the annual meetings on Jan. 25-26, 2027.

Committee Chairs: Amy Densevich, Kent State University, Mid-American Conference

Jessica Roque, Adelphi University, Northeast-10 Conference
Wendy Andreatta, University of Rochester, Liberty League

Staff Liaisons: Will Hopkins, Championships and Alliances
Ryan Richardson, Championships and Alliances
Caleb Kolby, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees:
Wendy Andreatta, University of Rochester.
Carrie Austin, The University of the South.
Stacey Bean, Virginia Commonwealth University, Atlantic 10 Conference.
Cheryl Bruttomesso, NCAA Field Hockey Rules Interpreter.
Tim Coffey, FAR Representative.
Cate Clark, National Field Hockey Coaches Association
Amy Densvich, Kent State University.
Therese Doyle, Kean University.
Renee Hellert, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania.
Marissa Kocher, Roberts Wesleyan University.
LA Lane, Clark University.
Jared Martin, The Ohio State University, Big Ten Conference.
Joanie Milhous, Villanova University, Big East Conference.
Caitlyn Prandato, Harvard University, Ivy League.
Krystyanna Ramsdell, Worcester State University
Jessica Roque, Adelphi University.
Sydney Van Der Merwe, Sacred Heart University.
Tim Vaughan, NCAA Field Hockey National Coordinator of Officials.
Rayell Wallace, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.
Absentees:
Maddie Zimmer, Northwestern University.
Richard Zhu, Stanford University, Atlantic Coast Conference.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:
Paden Alie, J.D. Hamilton, Khadian Harrison, Will Hopkins, Caleb Kolby and Ryan Richardson,
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Dante Jones, Mariah Martin and Markell Staton.