



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S AND WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEES
AUGUST 17, 2023, TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Director of course setup.**

a. Recommendation. That the men's and women's golf championships add a rules official position that would oversee the course setup at each of the championships.

b. Effective date. 2024 championships.

c. Rationale. The championships currently contract an official in charge (OIC) who oversees the recruitment and management of the rules officials onsite. The OIC has the responsibility to ensure that the rules of golf are enforced at the championships. The position is also responsible for course setup, which is an entirely unique skill set that does not necessarily align with rules knowledge. Having an experienced official to set up the course and review how the course is playing throughout the championships will provide a setup that is of championships quality and eliminate the potential issue of a poor pin placement.

The two championships will absorb the cost for the 2024 championships and request that the Championships Committee include this in the budget beginning with the 2025 championships.

d. Estimated budget impact. \$1,000/championship.

e. Student-athlete impact. This change will benefit the student-athletes to have a course setup that is of championship caliber.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Review of 2023 championships. Both committees shared a review of the championships, including rankings and selections.

2. 2023 annual meetings. Both committees shared a review of their June annual meeting.

3. **Spikemark transition.** The committees shared how the transition to Spikemark from Golfstat is going. The committees want to ensure that communication is going to all coaches and SIDs. The committees also are looking to see if Spikemark can provide a list of teams who have not registered.

4. **Ranking and selection criteria.** The committees reviewed the selection criteria language changes that are editorial in nature due to the change in the scoring vendor. The following criteria will be published:

- Won-lost percentage against Division III opponents;
- Division III head-to-head competition;
- Results versus common Division III opponents;
- Division III strength of schedule;
- Place/Finish in Division III competition; and
- Strokes gained on a neutral course;
- Record versus top 25 teams;
- Place finish in contests; and
- Late-season performance.

Secondary:

- Won-lost percentage against non-Division III opponents;
- Results versus common non-Division III opponents;
- Strength of schedule against non-Division III opponents; and
- Record versus top 25 non-Division III opponents.

5. **Gender equity progress to date.** The committees were presented with the results of the gender equity progress report and noted that the two championships are reviewed frequently and meet the standards.

6. **Substitutions.** The two committees discussed allowing substitutions but decided at this time not to move forward with a recommendation.

Committee Chair: Jon King, Alvernia University

Staff Liaisons: Nancy O'Hara, Championships and Alliances

Ryan Richardson, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Golf Committees
August 17, 2023, Teleconference
Attendees:

Thomas Chatfield, Hood College.
Tristan Durgin, University of New England.
Mary Giorgi, St. Catherine University.
DeeDee Jarman, Methodist University.
Jon King, Alvernia University.
Tom Koehle, Penn State University, Altoona.
Dan Wesley, University of Rochester.
Dave Wester, University of Texas at Dallas.
Absentees:
Brian Bruha, Lake Forest College.
William Raleigh, Schreiner University.
Jon Sjoberg, Emory University
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff in Attendance:
Nancy O'Hara, Championships and Alliances.
Ryan Richardson, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
None.