



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE
JUNE 13-14, 2022, MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. 2021 annual meeting report.** The committee approved the 2021 annual meeting report as submitted.
- 2. 2021-22 Division III Championships Committee actions.** The committee reviewed the relevant actions and information items from the 2021-22 Championship Committee meetings.
- 3. Strategic plan.** The committee reviewed the strategic plan and agreed to continue evaluating the plan and move forward in the best interests of Division III men's golf. The committee would like to seek further understanding of the history and intent of the plan.
- 4. Sport sponsorship.** The committee reviewed the sport sponsorship and pool documents.
- 5. 2022 Championships.**
 - a. Course. The committee noted that El Campeon was a sufficient course for the championships, but that Las Colinas was not in as good of condition. The committee noted feeling more positive about the courses in Kentucky that will be used for the 2023 championship.
 - b. Hotel. The committee noted the hotel challenges at the Mission Inn this year. NCAA staff, committee members and officials stayed at a hotel property nearby. This year was the first year that expenses for a second coach were reimbursable, which limited hotel rooms on site at the championship for individuals outside of the team travel party.
 - c. Evaluations. The committee reviewed the championship evaluations. The committee proposed sending evaluations the morning of the final competition day to get better responses.
 - d. Awards presentations. The committee believes the logistics of the awards presentation can be improved. A run of show will be used for future awards presentations so that responsibilities are clearly defined.
 - e. Scoring areas. The committee noted that scoring areas at this year's championship were sufficient and that the scoring areas in 2023 will be more accessible for the student-athletes.
 - f. Water, ice/snacks on course. The committee noted that the host did well in replenishing water and snacks. The committee would like to see fruit added to the snacks provided. The committee also would like to explore whether coolers can be donated to host's athletic training departments.

- g. Folds of Honor. The committee noted that the quality of the starter impacts the experience and that signs need to be set closer to the cart path. Several sheets of the script are also not needed. The committee suggested to meet with the starter on best practices and guidelines. The committee would like to have contact information for Folds of Honor to get in touch with veterans' families.
 - h. Starters. The committee prefers starters who have strong voices and a confident presence at the tee.
 - i. Shuttles. The committee noted that there were many golf carts out on the course and that the shuttles for practice out to the tee were not well organized. Las Colinas needed more shuttles. The committee suggested not having shuttles on the shorter par-4s that are walkable. The committee noted that the coaches meeting agenda should include what is expected regarding getting from the course practice area to the tee box.
 - j. Volunteers. The committee noted that the host did well at organizing volunteers but could be better with shuttles.
 - k. Golf cart language. The committee would like to consider no spectator golf carts and has asked the championship manager to confirm if the NCAA is obligated to provide them. The committee suggested using shuttles to bridge the gap if no spectator golf carts are used to help get spectators to covered seating areas.
 - l. Immediate tiebreaker language. The committee suggested adding tiebreaker language to the appropriate manuals. All tiebreakers will take place 15 minutes after the final card is signed if there is sufficient daylight on the primary golf course (if two golf courses are still being used).
 - m. Committee responsibilities and assignments. The committee reviewed the championship assignment document and the chair noted that he will take suggestions.
 - n. NCAA.com coverage. The committee wants to find more creative ways to cover the championships and would like increased coverage. The committee suggested using Transylvania digital art students for the 2023 championship.
 - o. Former participants as spectators. The committee noted the student-athlete must assume the role of the spectator if he is no longer competing while still at the championship. The committee recommended adopting Division I language specific to this.
6. **Golfstat**. The committee met with Carolyn Kupchik, who was the Golfstat representative at the 2022 championships. The committee is suggesting two individuals use Golfstat for scoring since courses will be separate. Current OIC did not want officials entering scores into Golfstat. Golfstat is okay with officials entering score if it is approved with OIC. Golfstat will print labels for cards at the 2023 championship. The committee recommended putting an asterisk on the tee sheet next to the name of the team that will be doing live scoring.

7. Review sport sponsorship list and pool document. The committee received the updated sponsorship and pool document for 2022-23.

8. Review ranking and selection process. The committee recommended putting more weight on the conference championship and late-season performances. The committee recommended moving conference championship play to primary criteria. The committee will update the weight of different criteria for selections. The committee is still in agreement with rankings being four weeks prior to the selectin date. Members are pleased with the current preselection and selection processes. The committee noted that the selection email was clear and would like to incorporate social media with the host on announcement. The committee chair recommended sending a season-opener email in the fall.

9. Review of 2022-23 timeline. The committee reviewed the 2022-23 timeline.

10. 2023 Championships.

- a. Banquet. The committee recommends having one banquet on Sunday.
- b. Officials. Coaches noted that they would like to be able to contact officials more quickly if there is a problem.
- c. Course. The committee was informed that aerification is currently scheduled five weeks before the championships.
- d. Seedings/Pairings. The committee will retain the practice times used at the 2022 championships.
- e. Practice rounds. The committee noted that practice rounds do not have to be staggered since the venue for the 2023 championships will have two separate courses.

11. Governance update. Representatives from the governance and AMA staffs provided updates on a variety of topics.

12. Manuals. The committee reviewed the committee operations manual, pre-championships manual, host operations manual and the participant manual and will make necessary revisions.

Committee Chair: Jon King, Alvernia University
Staff Liaison(s): Ashley Caldwell, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division III Men's Golf Committee June 13-14, 2022, Meeting	
Attendees:	
Brian Bruha, Lake Forest College.	

Jon King, Alvernia University.
John Sjoberg, Emory University.
Dan Wesley, University of Rochester.
Tristan Durgin, University of New England.
Butch Edge, University of Texas at Dallas.
Absentees:
Penny Allen-Cook, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
Guests:
Carolyn Kupchik, Golfstat.
NCAA Staff in Attendance:
Ashley Caldwell, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Bill Regan, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Ali Spungen, Law, Policy and Governance.