



REPORT OF THE
NCAA MEN'S GYMNASTICS COMMITTEE
JUNE 9, 10 and 12, 2026, VIRTUAL MEETING

KEY ITEMS.

- None.

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Automatic qualification.**
 - a. Recommendation. That the Eastern College Athletic Conference receive automatic qualification to the 2027 National Collegiate Men's Gymnastics Championships.
 - b. Effective date. Sept. 1, 2026.
 - c. Rationale. The conference meets the requirements of Bylaw 31.3.4 and has completed the automatic-qualification declaration form.
 - d. Estimated budget impact. None.
 - e. Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. 2025 committee meeting report.** The committee approved the 2025 annual meeting report as written.
- 2. Strategic plan.** The committee reviewed and approved the short- and long-term goals in its strategic plan.
- 3. 2026 championship review.** The committee reviewed championship survey results and discussed improvements that can be made from a championship policy and banquet perspective.
 - a. **Floor access only credentials.** The committee approved increasing the team allotment of floor access only credentials from six to eight to accommodate new roster limits in Division I.

- b. **Judges.** Craig Nesbitt, NCAA technical director, provided the committee with an overview of this year's championship along with areas of improvement for future championships.
- c. **ESPN Championship recap.** ESPN staff joined the meeting to provide feedback on the 2026 National Collegiate Men's Gymnastics Championships. The championship finals, which aired on ESPN2, averaged 152,000 viewers, representing a 42% increase over the previous year.

ESPN also discussed potential enhancements to future championships to improve the broadcast experience and storytelling, including equipping judges with cameras, mic'ing coaches and exploring other production enhancements. Additionally, the committee and ESPN expressed interest in moving individual competitors from the team finals day. The committee will continue to evaluate potential championship format changes that enhance both the student-athlete experience and the broadcast while maintaining collaboration with ESPN to further grow the championship and the sport's audience.

- 4. **NCAA Rules Modifications.** The committee reviewed and approved several editorial changes to the NCAA Men's Gymnastics Rules Modification document, which included:
 - a. Clarification on protocol for field of play stoppage for injuries during competition;
 - b. Reminder that the color of pants must conform with the FIG Code of Points effective September 1, 2026;
 - c. Addition of clarifying language for exhibitions, all-around qualifiers and qualification for Winter Cup; and
 - d. Clarification for the use of one D-panel judge as a line judge provided there are two D-panel judges on vault.
- 5. **NCAA Division I Bylaw 17 Decentralization Feedback – Phase I.** NCAA Division I Bylaw 17 Decentralization Feedback – Phase I. The NCAA Men's Gymnastics Committee discussed the decentralization of Division I Bylaw 17 (Playing and Practice Seasons). The committee provided feedback to the NCAA Division I Cabinet on the first practice date, first competition date, end of the playing season, maximum competition dates, summer athletics activities and health and safety for Division I men's gymnastics.
- 6. **Manual review.** The committee will review the prechampionships manual and make any necessary editorial changes needed for the 2026-27 season.
 - **Countable competition.** At the request of the coaches association, the committee discussed the definition of a countable competition pursuant to Bylaw 17 and championship policy. The committee expressed interest in adjustments that would promote meets between Division I and III teams while maintaining access to international meets and Gym Act meets. The committee will discuss potential revisions to the

legislation during the 2026-27 academic year.

7. Vendors.

- a. **American Athletic, Inc.** The committee met with representatives from official equipment supplier AAI who answered equipment questions from the committee and provided information on updates to the AAI equipment. The committee agreed to use the Power Elite Vault for the 2027 championships.
- b. **ProScore.** The committee supports continuing its longstanding relationship with ProScore to provide scoring services at the championships.
- c. **Road to Nationals.** The committee continues to support the use of Road to Nationals and has found it to be a highly responsive and valuable resource. The committee discussed enhancing the platform's functionality by adding the ability to filter team and individual rankings based on E and D scores. NCAA staff will work with Road to Nationals to determine whether this enhancement can be implemented for the 2026-27 season.
- d. **United Athletic Inc.** The committee supports continuing its relationship with United Athletic Inc. to provide the podium at the championships.

8. Committee. The committee reviewed and approved the roster and timeline for the 2026-27 season, noting one new committee member will begin service Sept. 1, 2026.

- a. **Committee chair.** Mike Powell will continue to serve as the committee chair for the 2026-27 academic year.
- b. **Rules liaisons.** Daniel Riberio and Colin Payne will serve as the NCAA/NGJA Rules Subcommittee for Skill Evaluation liaisons for the 2026-27 academic year.
- c. **Conference liaisons.** Michael Powell will continue serving as the liaison for the Eastern College Athletic Conference. Daniel Riberio will serve as the liaison for the Big Ten Conference, and Bryant Houk will continue to serve as the liaison for the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation.

9. Rules Interpreter position. Mike Juzczyk's term as the NCAA Rules Interpreter will conclude Aug. 31, 2026. The position will be posted for applications, with the selected individual beginning their term for the 2026-27 season.

10. Future meetings. The 2027 annual meeting will take place in Indianapolis June 21-22.

Committee Chair: Mike Powell, William & Mary.
Staff Liaison: Alyssa Rice, Championships and Alliances.
Raymon Gaddis, Championships and Alliances.

NCAA Men's Gymnastics Committee June 9, 10 and 12, 2026, Virtual Meeting	
Attendees:	
Shane Bell, Army West Point.	
Bryant Houk, University of Oklahoma.	
Mike Juszczyk, NCAA Rules Interpreter.	
Colin Payne, Simpson College.	
Mike Powell, William & Mary.	
Daniel Riberio, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.	
Rustam Sharipov, The Ohio State University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
Ericka Galbraith, ESPN.	
Steve Hass, American Athletic, Inc.	
Ava Jahner, ESPN.	
Mallory Kenny, ESPN.	
Shawn Murphy, ESPN.	
Craig Nesbitt, NGJA Technical Vice President.	
Stephanie Savas, American Athletic Inc.	
Tony Smith, American Athletic, Inc.	
Andy Timm, American Athletic, Inc.	
Madison Webb, ESPN.	
Terry Williams, American Athletic, Inc.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Alyssa Rice, Championships and Alliances.	
Raymon Gaddis, Championships and Alliances.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
John Baldwin, Championships and Alliances.	
Sami Bogenschutz, Championships and Alliances.	
Stanley Broaden, Championships and Alliances.	
Keshia Burnette, Legal Affairs.	
Danielle Day, Governance and Member services	
Lucas DuMars, Championships and Alliances.	
Julie Kimmons, Championships and Alliances.	
Jobrina Marques, Governance and Member Services	
Jarom McLiver, Championships and Alliances.	
Alie Paden, Championships and Alliances.	
Natalie Steger, Championships and Alliances.	
Liz Suscha, Championships and Alliances.	