

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE JANUARY 7, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE

KEY ITEM.

• **NCAA Women's Ice Hockey Committee chair.** The committee elected a new chair for the remainder of the 2024-25 term due to the departure of the originally elected chair. (See Informational Item 1.)

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

- 1. NCAA Women's Ice Hockey Committee chair. The committee elected Janine Oman from The Ohio State University to serve as the committee chair for at least the remainder of the 2024-25 committee year. This was needed due to the departure of Jeremy Gibson, who took a different position in college athletics that no longer allowed him to serve on the committee. The committee will evaluate the chair position at the annual meeting. The committee also discussed the timeline of replacement.
- **2. PairWise and NPI.** The committee discussed the season's current PairWise standings and the differences between PairWise and straight NPI. The committee will plan to continue discussion this winter with Tim Danehy, creator of PairWise and NPI.
- **3. 2025 regional round.** The committee discussed and confirmed the timeline and bid portal requirements to host the regional round for the 2025 National Collegiate Women's Ice Hockey Championship.
- **4. Women's Frozen Four.** The committee discussed various updates surrounding the planning of the 2025 NCAA Women's Frozen Four. The committee discussed options for the welcome reception, the schedule, student-athlete mementos, and ticket sales.
- **5. Officiating update.** The committee discussed the timeline to receive the list of recommended and eligible officials for the championship. The committee will meet with the national coordinator of officials on the next committee call.

Committee Chair: Jeremy Gibson, Merrimack College.

Staff Liaison: Caleb Kolby, Championships and Alliances.

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| Attendees: |
| Jeremy Gibson, Merrimack College. |
| Cara Morey, Princeton University. |
| Dean O'Keefe, Stonehill University. |
| Janine Oman, The Ohio State University. |
| Britni Smith, Syracuse University. |
| Absentees: |
| None. |
| NCAA Staff Support in Attendance: |
| Caleb Kolby, Championships and Alliances. |
| Markell Staton, Championships and Alliances. |