

NCAA DIVISION I COMPETITION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE NCAA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEES JULY 10, 2024, JOINT MEETING (VIA TELECONFERENCE)

KEY ITEMS.

• Selection criteria. The men's and women's ice hockey committees discussed at length possibly changing selection criteria during their annual joint meeting but are not forwarding any recommendations at this time. (See Informational Item 2.)

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. **ESPN.** The committees discussed the change in format with the men's selection show now leading into the women's championship game instead of following the championship game as in years past. Both committees believe this benefits each championship.
- 2. Selection criteria. The committees discussed their current selection criteria and acknowledged the difference between the two genders. The women will continue using Pairwise and the NCAA Percentage Index (NPI), while the men are likely to stay with Pairwise and the Rating Percentage Index (RPI), at least in the short term. Neither committee believes the difference creates a gender imbalance or affects the student-athlete experience in any way.
- **3. Site selections.** The committees shared the options each is considering and noted there will be no conflicts in sites between genders for the 2027 and 2028 Men's and Women's Frozen Four or men's regional sites.
- **4. Rules update.** The committees received an update on the changes the rules committee approved effective for the upcoming season.
- **5. Men's annual meeting update.** Men's committee chair Jeff Schulman recapped the men's committee meeting held May 14-15.
- **6. Women's annual meeting update**. Women's committee chair Jeremy Gibson recapped the women's committee meeting held June 14.

Committee Chairs: Jeff Schulman, University of Vermont (men), Jeremy Gibson, Merrimack College

(women).

Staff Liaisons: Chad Tolliver, Championships and Alliances (men), Mark Bedics, Championships and

Alliances (women).

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NCAA Men's and	Women's Ice Hoo	key Committees
July 10, 2024, Jo	oint Meeting (Via	Teleconference)

Attendees:

Jeremy Gibson, Merrimack College, women's committee.

Rick Gotkin, Mercyhurst College, men's committee.

William Martinov, Long Island University, women's committee.

Cara Morey, Princeton University, women's committee.

Janine Oman, The Ohio State University, women's committee.

Josh Richelew, University of Michigan, men's committee.

Scott Sandelin, University of Minnesota Duluth, men's committee.

Jeff Schulman, University of Vermont, men's committee.

Britni Smith, Syracuse University, women's committee.

Tim Troville, Harvard University, men's committee.

Absentees:

Bob Daniels, Ferris State University, men's committee.

NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:

Mark Bedics, Jackie Kawamoto and Chad Tolliver.