



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE
JUNE 25, 2024, ANNUAL MEETING

KEY ITEMS.

1. **Bracket expansion.** The committee reviewed the recently approved bracket expansion to 16 teams and began discussing the format leading up to the championship. (See Informational Item 4.)
2. **Automatic qualification.** The committee continued discussing the implementation of automatic qualifiers and the eight conferences that will receive the AQ as approved by the Division II Championships Committee.

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **2023 annual meeting report.** The committee approved the 2023 annual meeting report as submitted.
2. **2023 championship review.** The committee reviewed the 2023 championship, pointing out the successes and some of the challenges. The committee commended the Drexel University and Lincoln Financial Field staff for their outstanding work once again at the championship site.
 - a. **Surveys.** The committee reviewed the survey results and discussed them throughout the various sections of the agenda.
 - b. **Bench size.** The committee briefly discussed the bench size and the continued success of allowing teams to bring as many student-athletes as they have on their roster to the championship and being permitted in the bench area.
 - c. **Site representatives.** The committee discussed the difficulty in securing site representatives and began discussing some potential solutions for next season.
3. **2025 championship planning in Foxborough, MA.** The committee began planning for the 2024 championship in Foxborough, MA. Game times will be determined later as given the need to consider the addition of the Division I Women's Lacrosse Championship game prior.
4. **Bracket expansion.** The committee reviewed and discussed the bracket expansion from 12 teams to 16 teams approved by the Division II Management Council and Executive Board. The

major change from the current bracket would be to add two teams to both regions and taking away the first round byes for the top two teams in each region.

5. **Sport sponsorship for 2024-25.** The committee discussed new sponsoring members and placement in their respective regions. The committee will continue monitoring sport sponsorship and its potential effect on regional alignment in the coming months.
6. **Regional alignment.** The committee briefly reviewed regional alignments for the future and decided not to make any changes at this time. The committee will continue monitoring the regional alignment landscape as new members begin sponsoring men's lacrosse.
7. **Committee and regional advisory committee (RAC) rosters.** The committee reviewed the national and regional advisory committee rosters and noted upcoming vacancies on the regional advisory committee. There will be two new members on the national committee for the upcoming year with the extension of Dan Mara for another year.
8. **Selection criteria.** The committee discussed the selection criteria and decided not to recommend changes. The committee focused on the allocation of berths, automatic qualifications and at-large selections with the expansion of the bracket to 16 teams.
9. **2025 annual meeting.** The committee agreed to meet in person in Indianapolis on June 23-24, 2025.

Committee Chair: Dan Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference
Staff Liaison(s): Mitchell Bailey, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division II Men's Lacrosse Committee June 25, 2024, Annual Meeting	
Attendees:	
Chris Barrett, Belmont Abbey College.	
Dan Mara, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.	
Absentees:	
Rachel Burleson, Franklin Pierce University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:	
Mitchell Bailey.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Will Hopkins and Andy Supergan.	