

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 13, 2025, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- 1. Legislative items.
 - None.
- 2. Nonlegislative items.
 - 2026 championship site recommendation.
 - (1) <u>Recommendation</u>. That the NCAA Division II Championships Committee approve the following site for the 2026 joint Division II and Division III Women's Lacrosse Championships.

Year	Venue	Host
2026	Tiger Stadium	Rochester Institute of Technology

- (2) Effective date. Immediate.
- (3) <u>Rationale</u>. The Division II and Division III Women's Lacrosse Committees worked to identify options for the 2026 championship and reviewed materials related to the potential championship bid. The committees agreed that Rochester Institute of Technology would provide a great experience.
 - With RIT's experience in hosting multiple NCAA championships in recent years and a newly built facility, the committees have full confidence in the host staff to put on a tremendous event.
- (4) <u>Estimated budget impact</u>. The proposed site is in line with typical championship expenditures.
- (5) <u>Student-athlete impact</u>. The venue and host selected will provide quality student-athlete experiences during the championship.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. 2025 championship planning. The committee reviewed and approved the 2025 schedule for the combined Division II and Division III championships in Salem, VA. Student-athlete enhancements around the championship were also reviewed.

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- **2. AQ review**. The committee discussed what percentage of automatic qualifiers occupy the championship bracket and at what point it would trigger a bracket expansion.
- **3. Future bid cycles**. The committee discussed future bid cycles and concepts that would allow for more opportunities in women's lacrosse.
- **4. 2028 Division II Spring Championships Festival bid review.** The committee reviewed bids for the 2028 Division II Spring Championships Festival. The committee's recommendation will be shared with the Division II Championships Committee during the February 24-25, 2025, meeting with a host to be announced shortly thereafter.

Committee Chair: Melissa Gyllenborg, Maryville University of Saint Louis

Staff Liaison(s): Ryan Rea, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division II Women's Lacrosse Committee
February 13, 2025, Meeting

Attendees:

Doug DeBiase, Central Atlantic Collegiate Conference.

Dawn Sachs, Mercy University.

Melissa Gyllenborg, Maryville University of Saint Louis.

Akasha Kasper, University of Alabama in Huntsville.

Absentees:

None.

Guests in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance:

Ryan Rea, Championships and Alliances.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

None.