REPORT OF THE
NCAA MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SKIING COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 10, 2026, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- **Governance Structure and Committees -- National Collegiate Championship Sport Committees -- Composition Requirements.**

  (1) Recommendation. The NCAA Men's and Women's Skiing Committee recommends the NCAA Division I Cabinet introduce legislation, for skiing, to increase the number of voting members from six to eight specifying that (1) three members are selected from the west, two from central and three from the east; and (2) each region has coaching representation for each skiing discipline it sponsors.

  (2) Effective date. Immediate.

  (3) Rationale. Increasing the number of voting members from six to eight will enhance regional and discipline-specific representation while providing greater flexibility to maintain administrative representation across all NCAA divisions and regions. The proposed expansion will allow each region to have coaching representation for each skiing discipline it sponsors, ensuring the committee has the specialized alpine and Nordic expertise necessary to address rules, championship administration and other sport-specific matters. This need has become increasingly important with the addition of the sprint event to the national championship, which may require simultaneous oversight of alpine and Nordic competitions. The proposed structure better reflects the sport's current governance and championship operational needs.

  (4) Estimated budget impact. Minimal. While the proposal increases committee membership, the additional positions are expected to be filled by coaches who, in most cases, will already be traveling to the championship as members of their teams' travel parties, meaning little to no additional cost assigned to the committee travel and per diem budget is anticipated.

  (5) Student-athlete impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **None.**

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **NCAA Division I Proposal No. 2026-68 Athletics Eligibility -- Initial Enrollment at Midyear -- Eligibility for Competition.** The Men's and Women's Skiing Committee provided feedback to the NCAA Division I Cabinet on Proposal No. 2026-68. The committee opposes the application of Proposal No. 2026-68 in skiing. The committee noted the disparate impact on international prospective student-athletes who experience delays in obtaining their visas through no fault of their own. The committee also noted that a prospective student-athlete initially enrolling at midyear would not be coming off a high volume of competition that would put them at an advantage over current student-athletes due to the require weather conditions for the sport.

2. **Alpine event discussion.** The committee continued discussion of a proposed new Alpine event. Representatives from the East and West regions shared feedback gathered through conversations with their respective regions. Both expressed interest in adding a third Alpine event, while also identifying next steps regarding the proposed format, scoring, and the qualification process at the championship. The committee agreed that further discussion and a financial impact study is needed before a legislative proposal is introduced.

Committee Chair: *Tracey Cote, Colby College.*
Staff Liaisons: *Kevin Alcox, Championships and Alliances.*
Sara Thurber, Division I Governance and Member Services.

NCAA Men's and Women's Skiing Committee September 10, 2026, Videoconference
Attendees:
Mark "Sparky" Anderson, University of Alaska Anchorage.
Tracey Cote, Colby College.
Fredrik Landstedt, University of Utah, Rules Interpreter.
Andy Keller, Northern Michigan University.
Scott MacPherson, Harvard University.
Casey Stangel, University of Nevada, Reno.
Absentees:
Jessica Cherry, The College of St. Scholastica.
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:
Kevin Alcox and Sara Thurber.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance for Portions of the Meeting:
Karen Metzger.