



REPORT OF THE
DIVISION II MEN'S & WOMEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEES
JANUARY 27, 2020, JOINT MEETING

KEY ITEMS.

- **Budget request.** The men's and women's soccer committees, as part of the triannual budget cycle, are requesting additional funds to provide officials' headsets for all rounds of the men's and women's soccer championships.

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative items.

- None.

2. Nonlegislative items.

- **Officials' Headsets.**

- a. Recommendation. That the championships committee approve additional funds to provide officials' communication devices at all rounds of the men's and women's soccer championships.
- b. Effective date. September 1, 2021.
- c. Rationale. The use of electronic communication devices amongst the officials crews in the post-season is currently dependent upon if the assigned head official, or the institution, has the equipment. These devices increase the level of communication amongst the officials crew, which increases their ability to effectively implement the playing rules. Providing these to each host during the tournament will allow for more consistency in match officiating across the country.
- d. Estimated budget impact. \$5,000 (\$2,500 per gender). Cost is based on a per-match fee. If an institution or head official owns a device of their own this cost will decrease.
- e. Student-athlete impact. Increased consistency in playing rules implementation among the assigned officials, which has a direct impact on match outcomes and the student-athlete experience.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- None.

Committee Chairs: Phil Billeci-Gard, Dominican University of California.
Jim Moore, Georgian Court University.
Staff Liaison(s): Eric Breece, Championships and Alliances.
John Kuzio, Championships and Alliances.

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Attendees:
Terence Beattie, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Jennifer Bell, Converse College.
Phil Billeci-Gard, Dominican University of California.
Jason Carmichael, California State University, East Bay.
Larry Carpenter, Lee University.
Matt Cochran, Northeastern State University.
Wade Jean, Saint Michael's College.
Michael Koehler, Rockhurst University.
Mark McKeever, Young Harris College.
Brian McMahan, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Gary Kagiavas, Edinboro University of Pennsylvania.
Kelley Kish, Lake Erie College.
Chad Markuson, Minnesota State University, Moorhead.
James Moore, Georgian Court University.
Neil Piper, Texas A&M University- Commerce.
Absentees:
Claudio Arias; Texas A&M International University.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:
Eric Breece, Championships.
John Kuzio. Championships.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Nikki Buchanan, Championships.