

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE JANUARY 23, 2024, MEETING

KEY ITEMS.

- 1. **Misconduct.** The committee reviewed an institution's misconduct inquiry response regarding an incident that occurred after the conclusion of preliminary-round competition. (See Informational Item 4.)
- 2. **Committee chair.** The committee appointed Jamie Joss chair of the committee for the upcoming academic year. (See Informational Item 5.)

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

<u>INFORMATIONAL ITEMS</u>.

- **1. 2023-24 Division II Championships Committee update**. The committee reviewed relevant actions and information items from 2023-24.
- **2. Rankings and selections.** The committee reviewed the current selection criteria and ranking process and agreed the current criteria are the best available for their use. The committee also reviewed the KPI metric and expressed interest in exploring this further.
 - The committee noted continued preference in working with conferences to have matches end at a reasonable time for all national and regional advisory committee members to have adequate time to provide a proper review of final ranking and selection data. Staff shared feedback on this topic from conference commissioners. The committee understands the challenges with requiring conferences to finish their conference tournaments sooner but asked that this topic continue to be discussed.
- 3. 2023 championship preliminary rounds review. The committee reviewed preliminary-round competition and was pleased overall. Members continued to discussed improvements that can be made in preparation and communication with hosts, site representative and teams. Staff has noted these items and will work to adjust for the future.
- **4. Misconduct.** The committee reviewed a misconduct inquiry response from an institution involved in a misconduct violation. The committee was disappointed with the situation that occurred but was pleased with the institutional actions taken once the misconduct occurred. The committee accepted these actions and issued a private reprimand.

- **5. Committee composition.** The committee reviewed the current committee composition and noted that terms expiring at the end of this coming August. The committee also re-appointed Jamie Joss, director of athletics at Florida Institute of Technology, as chair for 2024-25.
- **6. Manual review.** The committee reviewed the 2022-23 championship manuals and noted edits for the upcoming season.

Committee Chair: Jamie Joss, Florida Institute of Technology, Sunshine State Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Eric Breece, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division II Men's Soccer Committee
January 22, 2024, Meeting

Attendees:

Jamie Joss, Florida Institute of Technology.

Patrick Long, Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania.

Michael Lovato, American International College.

Rebecca Magee, Erskine College

Dawn Tatro, Rogers State University

Rob Walker, Saint Martin's University.

Absentees:

Amanda Snodgrass, Midwestern State University.

Guests in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Staff Liaison (or Staff Support if subcommittee) in Attendance:

Eric Breece, Championships and Alliances.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Carla Laster, Championships and Alliances.