



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S SOCCER COMMITTEE
FEB. 3-4, 2026, ANNUAL MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review agenda and meeting schedule.** The committee reviewed the joint annual meeting agenda and schedule.
2. **Review of the 2025 championship.** The committee discussed the 2025 championship, hosted at Roanoke College by the City of Salem and the Old Dominion Athletic Conference. The committee noted a few minor improvements that can be made for future championships and identified other items that need to be replicated at future sites for continued success.
3. **NCAA Power Index (NPI).** The committee began reviewing the NPI data from the previous two years and have identified areas they intend to recommend changes to this spring. The committee will meet again to set these area recommendations.

The committee recommended that the NPI data be released earlier and more often. Additionally, they have identified some other enhancements that should be made, including easier identification markers for selected teams and then also additional data points to assist in understanding the NPI and assistance in schedule making for teams.

Overall, the committee had positive feedback for the NPI and felt any changes made are to address minor concerns related to the increase in ties since the change in overtime rules.

4. **Bracketing and selecting hosts.** The committee reviewed preliminary-round host bids and identified concerns about the current priority process. The committee discussed options for identifying hosts and resolving potential conflict of a site hosting both genders to be discussed in the joint meeting with the women's committee.
5. **2026 Championship – Columbus, Ohio (Historic Crew Stadium).** The committee reviewed recent championships in Salem and enhancements they intend to promote going forward. A site visit will take place in April and more conversation will be held at the next committee meeting specific to the championship.
6. **Upcoming bid process.** The committee briefly discussed the upcoming bid cycle and the schedule for reviewing the bids as part of this bid cycle.

7. **Field sizes.** The committee will continue to collect field sizes from member institutions to address concerns about venues that don't meet the minimum field size requirement for hosting championship competition.

Committee Chairs: Dejan Mladenovic, John Carroll University, North Coast Athletic Conference
Staff Liaisons: Kevin Alcox, Championships and Alliances

| Division III Men's Soccer Committee Feb. 3-4, 2026, Annual Meeting | |
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| Men's Committee Attendees: | |
| Mo White, Connecticut College. | |
| Joe Calabrese, Endicott College. | |
| Ben Cross, University of Rochester. | |
| Tom Galbraith, Randolph College. | |
| Dejan Mladenovic, John Carroll University. | |
| Megan Patruno, Muhlenberg University. | |
| Miguel Ruiz, Cal Lutheran University. | |
| Brian Sisson, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota. | |
| Michael Zapolski, Augustana College (Illinois). | |
| Absentees: | |
| None. | |
| Guests in Attendance: | |
| None. | |
| NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance: | |
| Kevin Alcox, Championships and Alliances. | |
| Bryce Peters, Championships and Alliances. | |
| Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance: | |
| None. | |