



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING COMMITTEE
APRIL 13-14, 2026, ANNUAL MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review agenda and meeting schedule.** The committee approved the agenda and meeting schedule.
2. **Committee meeting reports.** The committee approved the 2025 annual meeting report as well as subsequent meeting reports as submitted.
3. **Review of 2026 championships.**
 - a. **Competition.** The competition at the 2026 championship was excellent, filled with fast swims, broken records and exciting diving.
 - b. **Facility and host.** The committee commended the facility and the host staff for their exceptional efforts throughout the week. This was the first time the Deaconess Aquatic Center and the Evansville Sports Corporation hosted the championships, and the committee was very pleased with their efforts and intentionality to the student-athlete experience. The host was a service-forward group that worked diligently all week to ensure a great experience for the membership and fans.
 - c. **Officiating.** The head officials did a nice job diversifying the crews with both veteran and newer qualified officials. The committee appreciated the efforts to officiate a fair championship.
 - d. **Timing system and equipment.** Colorado Timing was used for the championships. This was managed in-house with the aquatic center staff and was run efficiently.
 - e. **Awards.** The awards presentation was executed efficiently and effectively throughout the week. The host staff was prepared with volunteers and an organized approach to ensure a timely transition from competition to time on the podium.
 - f. **Student-athlete experience.** The committee reviewed the student-athlete survey responses and overall saw high marks with the experience on-site. The committee noted some feedback specific to gifting and ancillary space and will take that into consideration in the planning stages of the 2027 championships.

4. 2027 championships.

- a. **Diving qualification meet.** The diving qualification meet will remain unchanged for the 2027 championships.
- b. **Schedule of events.** The schedule of events for the championships will remain unchanged for the 2027 championships.
- c. **Deck pass limits.** The deck pass limits will be as follows for the 2027 championships.

| Qualifiers | Deck Passes |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1-4 student-athletes | 2 |
| 5-9 student-athletes | 3 |
| 10-14 student-athletes | 4 |
| 15-18 student-athletes | 5 |
| Any diver(s) or relay-only swimmers | +1 |

5. Selection process.

- a. **Participant cap.** The selection numbers will remain unchanged for the 2027 championships. The women's field will include 205 participants (183 swimmers, 22 divers). The men's field will include 175 participants (157 swimmers, 18 divers).
- b. **Online regular-season entry procedures and reporting of times.** The committee reaffirmed the importance of adhering to the 72-hour deadline for results reporting. Compliance with this policy has continued to improve and has assisted greatly in tracking the minimum contest requirements.
- c. **Review USA Swimming online meet entry process for submitting championship entries.** The committee did not make any adjustments to the online meet entry process for the 2027 championships.
- d. **Review event entry limits.** The committee did not make any adjustments to the entry limits for the 2027 championships.

6. Standards and selections.

- a. **Optional events (individual/relays) and scratch procedures for selected student-athletes.** The committee made no changes to the process that was used for the 2026 championships.

- b. **Qualifying standards.** The committee approved the 2027 qualifying standards. These will be publicly posted on ncaa.org in the coming months.

7. **Diving.**

- a. **Championship entry process.** The committee reviewed the use of the DiveMeets software as the championships qualifying database. The committee was pleased with the use and compliance with the entry process specific to diving. The group acknowledged that this was a more seamless process than last year.
- b. **Qualification standards.** The committee did not make any adjustments to the 2027 qualifying standards.
- c. **Competition standards.** The committee did not make any adjustments to the 2027 competition standards.

8. **Triennial budget cycle.** The committee is awaiting the decision from the Division II Championships Committee on the slate of requests submitted on behalf of the sport. The items pending review and approval are: (1) increasing the men's participant cap; (2) adjusting the diving qualification meet format; (3) adding per diem recipients; and (4) increasing the overall travel party. Any approved recommendation will take effect in the 2027-28 academic year.

9. **Selection of relay concept.** The committee reviewed a concept that would adjust the way relays are filled and selected for championship competition. This concept would allow the top 16 institutions per relay the opportunity to attend the championship. Currently, the relays are determined strictly by the qualifying time. This would provide an additional avenue for qualifying and filling championship fields with the top teams. Staff is working to compile historical data to help inform any possible adjustment.

10. **Host bid selection process.** The committee will begin the host bid process for 2029-31 championship this fall, reviewing bids from interested cities and facilities. The committee will make recommendations for future hosts to the Division II Championships Committee with final decisions being made in early 2027.

11. **Division II governance and member services updates.** The committee received an update from the Division II governance and member services staff.

12. **Playing rules update.** The committee received a playing rules and officiating update from Secretary-Rules Editor Greg Lockard.

13. **College Swimming and Diving Coaches Association of America updates.** Sam Barany from the CSCAA staff provided a coaches association update to the committee.

14. Committee.

- d. **Committee chair.** The committee reappointed Jessica Siegele of the University of North Carolina, Pembroke, as the committee chair for 2026-27.
- e. **Committee composition.** The committee thanked Gregg Petcoff, who completed his committee service term and is rolling off effective August 2026, for his service. The committee is composed of five members, with both coaches and administrator representation. For 2026-27, Andrew Makepeace will serve as the diving representative.

Committee Chair: Jessica Siegele, University of North Carolina, Pembroke, Conference Carolinas
Staff Liaison: Micaela Kapsalis, Championships and Alliances

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| Attendees: |
| Marc Danin, Adelphi University |
| Elle Elder, Mars Hill University. |
| Andrew Makepeace, Augustana University (South Dakota). |
| Gregg Petcoff, Western Colorado University. |
| Jessica Siegele, University of North Carolina, Pembroke. |
| Absentees: |
| None. |
| Guests in Attendance: |
| Sam Barany, College Swimming and Diving Coaches Association of America. |
| Greg Lockard, Secretary-Rules Editor. |
| Wendy Snodgrass, Coaches Connection. |
| NCAA Staff Liaison in Attendance: |
| Micaela Kapsalis, Championships and Alliances. |
| Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance: |
| Kerstin Hunter, Championships and Alliances. |
| Meghan Villanueva, Governance and Member Services. |