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# REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING COMMITTEE JUNE 16-17, 2025, MEETING

#### ACTION ITEMS.

None.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- **1. Review of agenda and schedule**. The committee reviewed the agenda and schedule for the meeting and made no adjustments.
- **2. Review of 2024 annual meeting report**. The committee reviewed and approved the 2024 annual meeting report as presented.
- 3. Rules. The committee received and reviewed the rule proposal comment period results.
- **4. 2025-26 committee calendar**. The committee reviewed and approved the proposed committee calendar for 2025-26.
- 5. Relay format. The committee discussed continuing to conduct relay events in the preliminary/finals format versus conducting them in a timed finals format. The committee will create estimated event schedules for each day of competition using the timed finals format to compare to the event schedules using the preliminary/finals format for comparison before deciding on future relay formats.
- **6. Men's participant cap**. The committee discussed increasing the men's participation cap. The committee determined what data will be necessary to collect and developed a preliminary plan for requesting an increase in the men's participation cap beginning with the next budget cycle.
- **7. 50s of butterfly, backstroke and breaststroke**. The committee discussed the possible addition of the 50-yard butterfly, backstroke and breaststroke events for men and women. The committee decided not to add the events for future championships at this time.
- **8. Division III governance**. The committee received a Division III governance update.
- **9. Division III championships committee**. The committee received a Division III Championships Committee update.
- **10. Manuals review**. The committee developed a plan for reviewing and editing the manuals associated with the championships.

- **11. Social media performance.** The committee reviewed data representing social media performance during the championships.
- 12. 2026 championships. The committee reviewed various topics related to the 2026 championships including: the schedule of events, the assignment of officials/judges, the allocation of deck passes, the assignment of timers and volunteers, the selected lodging properties and student-athlete gift ideas.
- **13. Future sites**. The committee reviewed the location of the 2027 and 2028 championships.
- 14. Diving review. The committee received a report from the diving coordinator and reviewed several aspects related to diving regionals and finals. The committee approved a recommendation from the diving coordinator to allow institutions to request to compete at a diving regional location other than its assigned regional location if the requested regional location is geographically closer to their campus. The committee noted the success of the simultaneous event that was conducted at one diving regional and affirmed its support of allowing simultaneous events at 2026 diving regional sites. The committee determined that 2026 diving regional site head judges will need to be vetted and approved by the committee prior to the diving regional competition. The committee reviewed a letter from a Division III head swimming and diving coach and determined specific feedback to provide to the coach. The committee developed a plan to solicit and review additional 2026 diving regional bids. The committee received other recommendations from the diving coordinator but took no action on them. The committee reviewed the diving judge performance at the finals site.
- **15. 2025 championships review**. The committee reviewed the championships in Greensboro and discussed changes that can be applied to the 2026 championships at the IU Natatorium. Overall, the host did an excellent job, and the committee looks forward to returning to Greensboro in 2027 and 2028.
- **16. Swimming selection process.** The committee reviewed and approved the 2025-26 qualifying standards. The committee discussed a request from USA Swimming to change the deadline for submission of qualifying times and the date of selections. The committee will submit a counter proposal to USA Swimming. The committee agreed to provide the membership reminders about last chance meet best practices.
- **17. CSCAA updates**. The committee received updates on hot topics being discussed by the members of the CSCAA.
- **18. Championships travel**. The committee received information about hot topics related to championships travel and provided feedback.
- **19. Head diving coach contact information**. The committee requests that the national office begin collecting head diving coach names and contact information in the NCAA directory.

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Committee Chair: Kiki Jacobs, Roger Williams University, Conference of New England

Staff Liaison(s): Corey Bray, Championships and Alliances

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#### **Attendees:**

Shawn Austin, SUNY Geneseo.

Andy Brabson, California Institute of Technology.

Dean Brownley, Centre College.

Kiki Jacobs, Roger Williams University.

Corolyn Miles, Williams College.

Doug Millikin, Case Western Reserve University.

Christopher Sykes, Illinois College.

# **Absentees:**

Nan Carney-DeBord, Denison University.

## **Guests in Attendance:**

Samantha Barany, Lewis Fellinger, Michelle Chaffin, Keith Beckett, Peggy Carl, Greg Lockard, Greg Spicka and David Fritz.

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

Corey Bray.

## Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Melissa Piening, Jay Fitzwater, JP Williams and Eric Hartung.