



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 23-24, 2023, MEETING**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Review meeting schedule.** The committee reviewed the meeting schedule.
2. **NCAA updates.**
  - a. **Governance update.** Governance staff members discussed with the committee the Division II strategic priorities, Festival working group and DII day.
  - b. **Playing Rules update.** Playing rules representative reviewed the past season and discussion on challenge review system usage across all divisions.
3. **Review/approval of 2021 annual meeting report.** The committee approved the 2021 annual meeting report.
4. **Review of American Volleyball Coaches Association Convention reports.** The committee discussed the AVCA convention topics and items were addressed throughout the meeting.
5. **Review of 2022 championship.**
  - a. **Bracket.** The committee reviewed and approved the continued use of the current bracket design. Additionally, the committee reaffirmed that the host institution has first priority in the selection of their game time.
  - b. **Evaluations/reports.** The committee reviewed the crew chief reports and survey results. It was noted that regional hosts should be reminded that they are responsible for securing qualified line judges to be used throughout the entire regional. The committee will encourage hosts to reach out to their conference assignors to help with securing line judges.
  - c. **Regional sites.**
    - (1) **Facility specifications.**
    - (2) **Follow-up with hosts.** The committee directed staff to share feedback with and solicit additional feedback from the regional hosts.
  - d. **Finals.**
    - (1) **Facility setup.**

- (a) **Meeting space.** The committee noted their preference to have committee meeting space in closer proximity to the court.
- (b) **Hospitality.** There were some challenges with timing of food for the committee, officials and general hospitality. The committee suggested providing the host with a specific schedule in the future that includes a variety of food options.
- (c) **Officials meeting area.** The officials meeting area was great.
- (d) **Press conference room and location.** The committee noted the size and setup of the press conference room worked, but the was small.
- (e) **Competition venue.** The committee felt the competition space was adequate.
- (2) **Administrative meeting.** The committee will determine the best time to hold the administrative meeting for future championships. NCAA staff will review the meeting agenda to make sure all information is updated and relevant.
- (3) **Practices.** The committee indicated that the current closed practice schedule works well and should be maintained.
- (4) **Press conferences/interviews.** The committee suggested that the host have microphones for press asking questions. The committee also stated it would be nice for hosts to provide electronic devices for teams to look through statistics during the press conference.
- (5) **Web stream of matches and press conferences.** The committee suggested individuals to use for future national championships. The committee noted frustration with the delay in securing a broadcast team for the championship and would like to see them secured earlier.
- (6) **Challenge Review System.** The committee reinforced the need to have adequate endline camera views for the challenge review system. Will work with DVSPORT to make sure camera placement is optimal.
- (7) **Award ceremonies.** The committee made no change to the awards ceremony format.

## 6. Officials.

- a. **Review of 2022 regional and national officials.** The committee will continue to explore ways to educate regional site representatives on how to evaluate and determine officials' assignments.

- b. **Evaluation forms.** The committee reviewed coach and crew chief evaluations of the regional and national officials.
- c. **Selection of 2023 championship officials.** The committee received conference recommendations for officials. The committee will evaluate each region and provide ordered recommendations to review and act on during the next committee videoconference. Official invites will be sent in March.

**7. Rankings/selections.**

- a. **Review of 2022 selections and selection show.** The committee felt selections went well but noted the quick turnaround during a Festival year.
- b. **Time of selections teleconference.** In non-Festival years, Monday selections work well because all competition has concluded before the regional advisory and national committee teleconferences are conducted. The timeline works well.

**c. Rankings.**

**(1) Regional advisory committees.**

- (a) **Rosters/replacements.** The committee reviewed the regional advisory committee rosters and noted regions that have a majority of members rolling off.
- (b) **Regional advisory committee training.** The committee reviewed the new training process and will continue to make enhancements.

**(2) Number and dates of ranking calls.** The committee confirmed the number and dates of ranking calls.

**(3) Score reporting system.** The committee indicated the score reporting system is a useful tool but also noted during the selection call the system was slow at loading team sheets, causing some delays in reviewing information.

- d. **Selection requirements/criteria.** The committees discussed the current selection criteria and continues to evaluate how to best use the criteria available. Committee members engaged in a lengthy discussion of the common opponent criterion and how it is used. The committee also discussed the KPI and will continue to have discussions if KPI becomes apart of the divisional selection criteria.
- e. **Seeding of final eight teams.** The committee discussed the seeding prior to finals. Seeding was determined based on the current criteria.
- f. **Automatic qualification.** The committee will review and approve automatic qualifiers once conferences submit their application forms for the 2023-24 academic year.

**8. Planning for 2023 championship and beyond.**

- a. **2023-24 calendar/timeline.** The committee reviewed and approved the timeline for the next season with the championship site visit and host teleconferences to be determined.
- b. **Bench size.** The committee felt the increase to allow 30 individuals on the bench was well received by the membership.
- c. **Awards.** No change will be made to the current awards presentation process.
- d. **Introductions.** The committee will allow introductions for up to 30 members of the bench size.
- e. **Video exchange.** The committee will continue to work with VolleyMetrics powered by Hudl to execute the championship video exchange process and help hosts prepare in uploading video after each match.
- f. **Challenge Review System.** The committee will permit regional hosts, at their own cost, to utilize a Challenge Review System as long as they meet minimum camera requirements. Challenge Review System will be continued to be used at the final site.

**g. Match format.**

- (1) **Media timeouts.** The championship format will continue to default to the standard 90-second timeouts. Hosts must notify the NCAA championship manager if they will use the media format for regional matches. Hosts also must include in the regional participant manual the format used at their sites.
- (2) **Intermission/interval between sets.** The committee will leave the interval at three minutes between each set.

**h. Regional hosts.**

- (1) **Bid timeline.** The committee will maintain the current regional bid timeline.
- (2) **Facility evaluation form.** The committee reviewed the facility evaluation form submitted by regional hosts and noted to add a section for potential hosts to list all practices available for the regional.

**i. Finals.** The committee discussed the upcoming championship in Pittsburgh.

**9. Budget request.** The committee finalized recommendations for the upcoming budget request cycle.

**10. Manual revisions.** The committee asked staff to revise areas in the committee operations, host operations, pre-championship, participant and site representative manuals.

**11. National committee.**

- a. **Committee openings and timeline.** The committee discussed the current vacancies.
- b. **New committee orientation.** The committee agreed to continue the new committee orientation.
- c. **Committee chair recommendation.** The committee recommended Jim Boos, University of Minnesota Duluth, as chair for the 2023-24 academic year.

**12. Future dates and sites.**

- a. **Future championships.** The committee reviewed the dates and sites for 2023-25 championships.
- b. **2026-30 bid cycle.** The committee was notified of the upcoming bid cycle and given updates on the timeline for bid submissions.
- c. **2023 annual meeting.** The committee agreed to hold the next annual meeting Jan. 22-23.

**15. Other business.** The committee experienced interest in a possible joint women's volleyball championship. NCAA staff will have internal discussions regarding the potential of a joint championship.

*Committee Chair:* Jill Stephens, Florida Southern College.  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Donisha Carter, Championships and Alliances

NCAA Division II Women's Volleyball Committee January 23-24, 2023, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Jim Boos, University of Minnesota Duluth.	
Stephanie Dragan, Franklin Pierce College.	
Matt Jennings, Michigan Technological University	
Joel List, Regis University (Colorado).	
Leanne Piscotty, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Brian Reese, Lander University	
Jill Stephens. Florida Southern College.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins, San Francisco State University.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	

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Donisha Carter, Championships and Alliances.
Demetria Young, Championships and Alliances.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Becca Burchette, Governance
Maritza Jones, Governance
Rachel Seewald, Championships and Alliances.