



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE  
JANUARY 26-27, 2021, MEETING**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative items.**

- None.

**2. Nonlegislative items.**

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

**1. Review meeting schedule.** The committee reviewed the meeting schedule.

**2. Review/approval of 2020 annual meeting report.** The committee approved the 2020 annual meeting report as submitted.

**3. NCAA updates.** Governance staff member discussed with the committee the budget approvals and the impact of COVID-19 on the budget requests for the new budget cycle. Committee received an update to the travel party increase. Particularly interested in a larger squad size.

**4. Review of Championships Committee actions.** The committee reviewed actions approved by the Championships Committee related to regulations and policies impacted by COVID-19.

**5. Review of American Volleyball Coaches Association Convention report.** The committee reviewed the AVCA convention report. Items were addressed throughout the meeting. The 2020 AVCA convention was highly attended and participation was up due to the virtual concept.

**6. Officials.**

**a. Selection of 2021 championship officials.** The committee reviewed championship official selections for the 2021 championship. Will continue to invite officials in the spring of the championship year to secure the most qualified officials.

**b. Selection of line judges.** The committee discussed the potential to make line judge assignments in advance similar to the procedures completed for officials. The members decided to create an area on the bid spec documents for the host to acknowledge that they can guarantee securing line judges at their facility.

## 7. Rankings/selections.

- a. **Time of selections teleconference.** Monday selections work well because all competition has concluded before the regional advisory and national committee teleconferences are conducted.
- b. **Rankings.**
  - (1) **Regional advisory committees.**
    - (a) **Rosters/replacements.** The committee reviewed the regional advisory committee rosters.
    - (b) **Regional advisory committee training.** The committee discussed the timeline for training and discussed starting communication with RAC members earlier. The committee expressed interest in conducting additional training for the site representatives.
  - (2) **Number and dates of ranking calls.** The committee confirmed the number and dates of ranking calls are appropriate.
  - (3) **Score reporting system.** The committee indicated the score reporting system is a useful tool. The committee requested a programming change to alphabetize common opponents as well as a revision in labeling within the team sheets.
- c. **Selection requirements/criteria.** The committee discussed the new selection criteria that will be introduced for the 2021-22 season. Discussed ways to communicate the new criteria to the committee, through the championships newsletter and coaches connection group.
- d. **Seeding of final eight teams.** The committee acknowledged seeding has been a success for the championship. Discussed concerns with releasing the one seed prior to the selection show. Received some negative feedback in the regard from teams.
- e. **Automatic qualification.** The committee will review and approve automatic qualifiers once conferences submit their application forms for the 2021-22 academic year.

## 8. Planning for 2021 championship and beyond.

- a. **2021-22 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. **Budget requests.**

- (1) **Official travel party.** The committee received an update to the travel party increase request submitted in 2020. The committee requested follow-up on whether the increased participant would be a part of the squad size or considered a non athlete. The intention of the committee is to increase the squad size.
  - (2) **Joint championship with Division I.** The committee will continue to explore a joint championship with Division I.
  - (3) **Day off from competition.** The request was not approved through the Division II Championships Committee.
- c. **Bench size.** The committee discussed allowing all student-athletes to be in uniform on the bench. Request would have to be submitted to the Division II Championships Committee.
  - d. **Introductions.** The committee agreed to announce the names of participants, up to the bench size of 25, during team introductions and awards.
  - e. **Video exchange.** The committee discussed the video exchange vendor VolleyMetrics powered by Hudl and their process. Discussed issues to be addressed with VolleyMetrics.
  - f. **Challenge Review System.** The committee discussed the use of the video review system at regionals and making sure the 2021 hosts know of the requirement for the final site.
  - g. **Match format.**
    - (1) **Media timeouts.** The championship format will continue to default to the standard 90-second timeouts. If both teams return to the court before the end of the timeout period, officials may resume play unless a media format is used. 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) **Regionals facility evaluation form.** The committee reviewed the evaluation forms and noted items that should be added to the current form to ensure accurate information is received from the regional hosts.
9. **Review of agendas.** The committee reviewed and directed staff to make necessary changes to the championship agendas.
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 reviewed the roster.
  - b. **New committee orientation.** The committee reviewed the timeline.
  - c. **Committee chair recommendation.** The committee recommended Kevin DesLauriers, Molloy College, as chair for the 2021-22 academic year.
12. **Review of Strategic Plan.** The committee reviewed the strategic plan and noted revisions.
13. **Rules update.** The committee reviewed the 2020 rules survey report.
14. **Future dates and sites.**
- a. **Future championships.** The committee reviewed the dates and sites for 2021-22 championships.
  - b. **2022 annual meeting.** The committee agreed to hold the next annual meeting Jan. 24-25.
15. **Other business.** None.

*Committee Chair:* Kevin DesLauriers, Molloy College  
*Staff Liaison:* Donisha Carter, Championships and Alliances

<b>NCAA Division II Women's Volleyball Committee January 26-27, 2021, Meeting</b>	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Jim Boos, University of Minnesota Duluth.	
Kevin DesLauriers, Molloy College.	
Dustin Fuls, North Greenville University.	
Chris Gravel, Hillsdale College.	
Joel List, Regis University (Colorado).	
Leanne Piscotty, Shippensburg University of Pennsylvania.	
Stephanie Shrieve-Hawkins, San Francisco State University.	
Jill Stephens. Florida Southern College.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
None.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
John Baldwin, Championships and Alliances.	
Donisha Carter, Championships and Alliances.	
Kerstin Hunter, Championships and Alliances.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Debbie Chin, Coaches Connection	
Morgan DeSpain, Championships and Alliances.	
Maritza Jones, Governance.	
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