



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II WRESTLING  
APRIL 11-12, 2022, MEETING**

KEY ITEMS.

- **Super regional site selection.** The committee selected the six host sites for the 2024 super regional tournaments. (See Action Item 2.)

ACTION ITEMS.

**1. Legislative items.**

- **None.**

**2. Nonlegislative items.**

- **Super regional site selection.**

- a. Recommendation. Approve the following sites to host super regionals in 2024:

Super Region	Host	Facility
One	Kutztown University of Pennsylvania	PPL Center
Two	Lander University	Finis Horne Arena
Three	West Liberty University	Academic, Sports & Recreation Complex
Four	University of Indianapolis	Nicoson Hall
Five	Minot State University	Minot State University Dome
Six	Colorado State University Pueblo	Massari Arena

- b. Effective date. Immediate.
- c. Rationale. The committee believes these hosts will provide participants with an outstanding championships experience.
- d. Estimated budget impact. None.
- e. Student-athlete impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. 2022 championships review.** The Wrestling Committee reviewed the 2022 championships and addressed the following items:

- a. **Schedule of events.** The committee considered feedback from coaches with the preference for a longer break between the conclusion of Session I and the start of Session II and agreed to move the start of Session I up one hour to 10 a.m. Eastern to allow for rest time. The committee also acknowledged support for the virtual grand march and affirmed the decision to fully adopt the process moving forward.
- b. **Selections, seeding and bracketing.** The committee affirmed the regional and finals site seeding procedures. The committee agreed to create a bracketing policy that prevents the top eight seeded wrestlers from wrestling in the pigtail preliminary match; therefore, only non-seeded wrestlers will be drawn into those matches. The committee felt this was in line with standard Division II bracketing principles and protects the integrity of the bracket while still allowing for randomization and separation of super region opponents.
- c. **Medical checks/weigh-ins.** The committee was pleased with the skin check and weigh-in procedures this year but noted an extended weight time between the conclusion of medical checks and the start of weigh-ins. Therefore, the committee approved moving medical checks back five minutes each day,
- d. **Trackwrestling operations (scoring and video).** The committee discussed some technical issues related to video review and agreed on a plan of action for improvement moving forward.
- e. **Resilite (mats and mat brackets)/Tanita, Trackwrestling agreements.** The committee was pleased with all of the other providers for the championships.
- f. **Opening ceremonies/Grand March/awards ceremony/awards presenters.** The committee affirmed the decision to have the Grand March take place virtually moving forward. The committee reviewed positive feedback regarding the dignitaries for the Parade of All-Americans and will continue that process in the future. The committee reaffirmed its preference for having the winning coach present the first-place award.
- g. **Selection of officials/evaluation process.** Tim Shiels, national coordinator of officials, informed the committee he was pleased with the processes and procedures this year. The committee expressed interest in pursuing third-party video review at the finals site. The committee was pleased overall with the officials and emphasized the need to continue selecting the highest quality officials possible. The committee agreed to use an automated evaluation form next year to make the process more user friendly for coaches.
- h. **Lodging.** The committee was pleased with the hotels for the championships and acknowledged feedback regarding the proximity to the competition venue.
- i. **Video/webstreaming.** The committee reviewed the streaming of the super regionals along with final site.
- j. **Format of each session.** The committee was pleased with the format.

- k. Community engagement.** The committee was disappointed that not all teams were contacted regarding community engagement and will make a more concerted effort to get more teams involved next year.
  - l. Surveys.** The committee reviewed and discussed feedback from participant surveys.
  - m. Practice partners.** The committee agreed to incorporate the ordering of practice partner credentials in to the PlanningPoint website.
  - n. Head table (announcers).** The committee is pleased with both PA announcers' performance during the past number of championships and wants to retain them for the 2023 championships.
- 2. Championships misconduct.** The committee was pleased there were no misconducts to review for 2022 and commended the student-athletes and coaches.
- 3. Championships Committee update.** NCAA staff liaison Karen Kirsch provided divisional governance updates to the committee.
- 4. Coaches connection update.** The committee discussed the Coaches Connection program with Marc Bauer, Coaches Connection liaison, noting how the program enhances communication with coaches.
- 5. Annual meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its 2021 annual meeting in June.
- 6. NWCA update.** The committee discussed feedback presented by Jim Fallis and Pat Tocci on behalf of the coaches and received updates from the NWCA on the state of the sport.
- 7. Strategic Plan.** The committee agreed to add language supporting access to the championships to the strategic plan.
- 8. Future site.** The 2023 championships will be held March 10-11 at Cedar Rapids Iowa, hosted by Upper Iowa University.
- 9. Pre-championships manual/host operations manual/participant manual.** Staff asked the committee to submit revisions for the manuals, as necessary.
- 10. Annual meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from its 2021 annual meeting in June.
- 11. Committee chair.** The committee approved Cy Wainwright, head wrestling coach at Newberry College, as the chair beginning September 1, 2022. Mr. Wainwright will replace current chair,

Miles Van Hee, director of athletics, Western Colorado University when Mr. Van Hee's term on the committee expires August 31.

*Committee Chair:* Miles Van Hee, Western Colorado University.  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Aaron King, Championships and Alliances.

NCAA Division II Wrestling Committee April 11-12, 2022, Meeting	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Adam Bracken, Ashland University.	
Maura Donovan, American International College.	
Todd Steidley, University of Central Oklahoma.	
Miles Van Hee, Western Colorado.	
Cy Wainwright, Newberry College.	
<b>Absentees:</b>	
None.	
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>	
Marc Bauer, Coaches Connection Liaison.	
Jim Fallis, National Wrestling Coaches Association.	
Tim Shiels, National Coordinator of Officials.	
Pat Tocci, National Wrestling Coaches Association.	
<b>NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:</b>	
Aaron King, Championships and Alliances.	
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>	
Leslie Havens, Championships and Alliances.	
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.	