



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION I MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 23, 2026, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Discussion of referrals from the NCAA Division I Decision-Making Working Group.** The NCAA Division I Membership Committee continued its discussion of the first of two referrals from the NCAA Division I Decision-Making Working Group. Specifically, as part of its exploration of the possible creation of an autonomy subdivision and defining autonomy status such that criteria are established, the committee reviewed and discussed data from the NCAA Demographics Database and the NCAA Membership Financial Database. The committee reviewed subdivision-specific data ranging from enrollment size and sponsored sports to revenues and expenses. The committee also identified additional information to review at a future meeting, including an analysis of sponsored sports and areas of autonomy and related legislation. The committee also agreed to review financial, sport sponsorship, student-athlete experience and use of resources information, summarized by conference, at a future meeting.

Finally, the committee discussed factors that might inform a future definition of an autonomy conference and outlined four areas for consideration: (1) Governance; (2) Enforcement; (3) Committees; and (4) Rules.

2. **Approval of the NCAA Division I Membership Committee report.** The committee approved the January 13 Division I Membership Committee report.
3. **Future meeting schedule.**
 - a. 1 to 2 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, April 13; videoconference.
 - b. 1 to 2 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, April 27; videoconference.
 - c. 1 to 2 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, May 11; videoconference.
 - d. 1 to 2 p.m. Eastern time, Tuesday, May 26; videoconference.
 - e. 1 to 2 p.m. Eastern time, Monday, June 8; videoconference.
 - f. June 17-18, 2026, in-person meeting, Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Nicki Moore, Cornell University.

*Staff Liaisons: Kris Richardson, NCAA Division I Governance and Member Services.
Jenn Samble, NCAA Division I Governance and Member Services.
Sara Thurber, NCAA Division I Governance and Member Services.
Angela Tressel, NCAA Division I Governance and Member Services.*

NCAA Division I Membership Committee February 23, 2026, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Carray Banks, Norfolk State University.	
Janet Cone, University of North Carolina Asheville.	
Mark Harris, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Southeastern Conference.	
Shawna Jordan, Kansas State University, Big 12 Conference.	
Lisa Liotta, Canisius University.	
Sheila Vélez Martínez, University of Pittsburgh, Atlantic Coast Conference.	
Emily Moon, Lamar University.	
Nicki Moore, Cornell University.	
Christina Munger-Rivera, University of California, Los Angeles, Big Ten Conference.	
Jennifer Phillips, James Madison University.	
NCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance:	
Kris Richardson, Jenn Samble, Sara Thurber and Angela Tressel.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Amanda Conklin, Dana Conner and Keke Liu.	