



**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 19, 2024, ELECTRONIC VOTE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

- None.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.**

- **Sport committee appointments.** The Division II Championships Committee approved the following sport and playing rules committee appointments, effective as noted (see Attachment).
  - (1) **NCAA Football Rules Committee** (one immediate vacancy): **Tremaine Jackson**, head football coach, Valdosta State University, Gulf South Conference.
  - (2) **NCAA Division II Women's Softball Committee** (one immediate vacancy): **Stephanie DeFeo**, head softball coach, University of West Alabama, Gulf South Conference.
  - (3) **NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Committee** (one immediate vacancy): **Madeline Simmons**, senior associate director of athletics, Missouri Western State University, Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association.
  - (4) **NCAA Men's Water Polo Committee** (one immediate vacancy): **Meghan Morphy**, associate director of athletics/senior woman administrator, Gannon University, Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference.

*Committee Chair:* Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs  
*Staff Liaison(s):* Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances  
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances  
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee August 19, 2024, Electronic Vote	
<b>Attendees:</b>	
Terry Beattie, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.	
Neil Duval, Saint Anselm College.	
Nathan Gibson, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs.	
JJ Hayes, Palm Beach Atlantic University.	
Regan McAthie, Concordia University, St. Paul.	

Courtney Medwin, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Sandee Mott, Texas Woman's University.
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.
Carol Rivera, California Collegiate Athletic Association.
Cade Smith, University of Alabama in Huntsville.
<b>Absentees:</b>
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (Management Council vice chair).
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (Management Council chair).
<b>Guests in Attendance:</b>
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
<b>NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:</b>
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs.
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances.
<b>Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:</b>
Leslie Havens.

**2023-24 DIVISION II WOMEN'S SOFTBALL COMMITTEE**

Composition: Eight members. One from each Division II softball region (West, Central, South Central, Midwest, South, Southeast, Atlantic, East). Quota of 50 percent administrators: 4.

Vacancies: **One immediate vacancy replacing Val Silvestrini – South region. Coach and admin.**

Staff Liaison: Karen Kirsch

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26	9/26-9/27
Mid W	C	N/F	Missy Frost University of Indianapolis	Great Lakes Valley	Frost	Frost*		
West	Assoc AD	N/M	Neil Morgan Biola University	Pacific West	Morgan	Morgan	Morgan	Morgan*
Atl	Asst AD/SWA	N/F	Andrea Miller Grady Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania	Pennsylvania State Athletic	Miller Grady	Miller Grady	Miller Grady	Miller Grady*
Cen	C (C)	N/M (N/F)	Jason Anderson Southern Arkansas University (Greta Melsted Augustana University)	Great American University (Northern Sun Intercollegiate)	Anderson*	Melsted	Melsted	Melsted (9/28)*
<b>So</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>N/F</b>	<b>Valerie Silvestrini Florida Institute of Technology</b>	<b>Sunshine State</b>	<b>Silvestrini</b>	<b>Silvestrini*</b>		
SoC	Assoc AD/SWA	N/F	Dixie Cirillo Colorado School of Mines	Rocky Mountain	Cirillo	Cirillo	Cirillo*	
East	AD	N/F	Susan Cassidy-Lyke Molloy College	East Coast	Cassidy-Lyke	Cassidy-Lyke	Cassidy-Lyke*	
SoE	AD (Dep AD/ SWA)	N/F (N/F)	Kendall Rainey The University of Virginias College at Wise (Dawn Turner Lander University)	South Atlantic (Peach Belt)	Rainey*	Turner	Turner	Turner (9/28)*

\*Not eligible for reappointment 06/26/2024

NCAA Division II Women's Softball Committee Nominees											
Nominee	Job Title	Institution	Conference	Gender	Ethnicity	Qualification Statement	Education Degree	RAC Exp.	Professional Employment History	Current Committee Service	Previous Committee Service
Gulf South Conference											
Stephanie Defeo	Head Softball Coach	University of West Alabama	Gulf South Conference	F	White/Non- Hispanic	I just completed my first year on the South RAC and feel that i am prepared to help navigate the committee. I did a lot of research on all of the data while on the RAC and will be fair with our South Region. I am also involved with the Coaches Connection and Top 25 NFCA rankings committee. These two committees give me information on what is happening with Division 2 softball and with other regions as well.	Bachelor's	Y	Current Head Coach at The University of West Alabama. Head Coach - Mercer University, Assistant Coach at Purdue University, Associate Head Coach at Ball State University, Head Coach - UNC Greensboro, Head Coach - East Tennessee State University, Assistant Coach - Buffalo University, Assistant Coach - UT San Antonio		Current Member of the South RAC Current Member of the Top 25 Committee Current Member of the Coaches Connection Committee Top 25 Selection for Division 1

**2023-24 DIVISION II MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE**

Composition: Eight members. Three positions will be allocated for men, three positions allocated for women and two positions unallocated. Quota of 50 percent administrators: **4**.  
 One from each of the tennis regions: West, Central, South Central, South, Southeast, Midwest, Atlantic, East.

Vacancies: **Two immediate vacancies replacing Troy Katen, Central region and Jerome Simon, Atlantic region. Coaches or admins. One immediate vacancy replacing Hendrik Bode, West region, coach or admin**

Staff Liaison: Zach Christopher

REG	POS	EM/ GEN	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26	9/26-9/27
SoE	C	N/M	Joey Eskridge Anderson University (South Carolina)	South Atlantic	Eskridge	Eskridge	Eskridge	Eskridge*
<b>Cen</b>	<b>Dep AD</b>	<b>N/M</b>	<b>Troy Katen Arkansas Tech University</b>	<b>Great American</b>	<b>Katen</b>	<b>Katen</b>	<b>Katen*</b>	
MidW	Asst AD	N/F	Karen Henson Drury University	Great Lakes Valley	Henson	Henson	Henson*	
So	Assoc AD	N/F	Christi Wade University of West Alabama	Gulf South	Wade	Wade	Wade	Wade*
West	C	N/M	Hendrik Bode Hawaii Pacific University	Pacific West	Bode	Bode	Bode*	
<b>Atl</b>	<b>Dir of tennis</b>	<b>N/M</b>	<b>Jerome Simon Mercyhurst University</b>	<b>Pennsylvania State Athletic</b>	<b>Simon</b>	<b>Simon*</b>		
SoC	C	N/M	Josh Cobble Cameron University	Lone Star	Cobble	Cobble	Cobble*	
East	AD	N/F	Stefanie Whitby Wilmington University (Delaware)	Central Atlantic Collegiate	Whitby	Whitby	Whitby*	

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NCAA Division II Men's and Women's Tennis Committee Nominees											
Nominee	Job Title	Institution	Conference	Gender	Ethnicity	Qualification Statement	Education Degree	RAC Exp.	Professional Employment History	Current Committee Service	Previous Committee Service
Central region											
Madeline Simmons	Sr Associate AD - Compliance	Missouri Western State University	Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association	F	White/Non- Hispanic	Although I do not have any prior experience serving on a NCAA committee - I am passionate not only about college tennis, but I am also passionate about collegiate athletics at the Division II level. As a former college student- athlete, college coach and now as an Administrator I have dealt with adversity, challenges, and confrontations - and have had to utilize my problem-solving skills, communication skills, and leadership skills to persevere. As the sport supervisor for the women's tennis program at MWSU, I have made it a priority to make match day feel like a football game day. It's important to be an advocate for the sport and for the student-athletes who compete in the sport. I would be honored to be able to have these conversations with other administrators and coaches to continue to enhance the sport and bring awareness to areas that need improvement.	Master's	N	Senior Associate AD - Compliance at Missouri Western State University (MIAA) - April 2023-Present Associate AD - Compliance, Student Life, & Academic Success at Minot State University (NSIC) - March 2021-April 2023 Assistant Men's and Women's Tennis Coach at Oklahoma Baptist University (GAC/MIAA) - September 2018-March 2021		I do not have any past or current experience with serving on a NCAA committee or organization.

## 2023-24 WOMEN'S WATER POLO COMMITTEE

(Association-Wide Rules Administration and National Collegiate Championship)

**Legislated Requirements:** Six members including the secretary-rules editor: Three from Division I, one from Division II, one from Division III. Required number of administrators: **2.**

**Duties:** Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

**Vacancies:** **One immediate vacancy replacing Daniel Teliski, Division II, administrator.**

**Staff Liaison:** Paige Newman

DIV.	REG.	POS.	EM/ GEN	NAME AND INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26	9/26-9/27
FBS	E (W)	C	N/F (N/F)	Taylor Dodson Indiana University, Bloomington (Natalie Benson California State University Fresno)	Big Ten (Mountain West)	Dodson*	Benson	Benson	Benson (9/28)*
FCS	E	C	Y/M	Ted Minnis Harvard University	Ivy League	Minnis	Minnis	Minnis	Minnis*
DI	W	Sr. Assoc AD/ SWA	N/F	Erica Monteabaro University of California, Irvine	Big West	Monteabaro	Monteabaro	Monteabaro	Monteabaro*
<b>II</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Assoc AD</b>	<b>N/M</b>	<b>Daniel Teliski Gannon University</b>	<b>Pennsylvania State Athletic</b>	<b>Teliski</b>	<b>Teliski*</b>		
III	W	Assoc AD/ SWA	N/F	Rachel Roche University of Redlands	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic	Roche	Roche*		

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NCAA Women's Water Polo Committee Nominees											
Nominee	Job Title	Institution	Conference	Gender	Ethnicity	Qualification Statement	Education Degree	RAC Exp.	Professional Employment History	Current Committee Service	Previous Committee Service
Meghan Morphy	Associate Director of Athletics/SWA	Gannon University	Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference	F	White/Non- Hispanic	I have served as the sport administrator for women's water polo since summer 2021 and have been regularly involved in many of the daily operations of the program since that time. I am familiar with the role due from conversations with my colleague, Dan Teliski and am confident I could contribute positively to the group's efforts at this time.	Master's	Y	GANNON UNIVERSITY, Department of Athletics Associate Director of Athletics for Budget & Planning, Senior Woman Administrator, July 2022-Present Assistant Director of Athletics for Budget & Planning, Senior Woman Administrator, July 2020-June 2022 Coordinator of Business Operations, July 2019-June 2020 Head Coach for Competitive Cheer & Dance, April 2013-June 2019		Women's Lacrosse Regional Advisory Committee



## 2023-24 FOOTBALL RULES COMMITTEE

### (ASSOCIATION-WIDE RULES ADMINISTRATION)

Thirteen members on Association-wide committee. Six Division I; three Division II; three Division III.

An additional member shall be a nonvoting secretary-rules editor who may be reelected without restriction. Quota of 25 percent administrators: **3**. Quota of 50 percent coaches: **6**. Two from each geographical region:

Region 1: Districts 1 and 2      Region 3: Districts 4 and 5

Region 2: District 3      Region 4: Districts 6, 7 and 8

Duties: Establish and maintain rules of play consistent with the traditions of the sport and of such character as to ensure good sportsmanship and safe participation by the competitors. This committee is subject to the final authority of the Playing Rules Oversight Panel.

Policy: Each division will adhere to the 50 percent coaches independently.

**Vacancies: One immediate vacancy replacing Scott Maxfield, Division II, coach.**

Staff Liaison: Ty Halpin

DIV	REG	POS	EM/G	NAME, INSTITUTION	CONFERENCE	9/23-9/24	9/24-9/25	9/25-9/26	9/26-9/27
FBS	3	Sr. Dir	N/M	A.J. Edds Big Ten Conference	Big Ten	Edds	Edds	Edds	Edds*
FBS	2	C	N/M	Kirby Smart University of Georgia	Southeastern	Smart	Smart*		
FBS	3	C	Y/M	Thomas Hammock Northern Illinois University	Mid-American	Hammock	Hammock	Hammock*	
FBS	2	Assoc AD	Y/M	Woody McCorvey Clemson University	Atlantic Coast	McCorvey	McCorvey	McCorvey*	
FCS	4 4	C (C)	N/M (Y/M)	Aaron Best Eastern Washington University (Leonard McDowell Prairie View A&M University)	Big Sky (Southwestern Athletic Conference)	Best	McDowell	McDowell	McDowell (9/28)*
FCS	1	Sr Assoc Comm	N/M	Richard Wanninger Patriot League	Patriot League	Wanninger	Wanninger*		
II	2	Sr. Assoc Comm	Y/M	Eddie Weatherington Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Weatherington	Weatherington	Weatherington	Weatherington (9/28)*
II	4	C	N/M	John Wristen Colorado State University Pueblo	Rocky Mountain Athletic	Wristen	Wristen*		
<b>II</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>N/M</b>	<b>Scott Maxfield Henderson State University</b>	<b>Great American</b>	<b>Maxfield</b>	<b>Maxfield</b>	<b>Maxfield*</b>	
III	2 (4)	C (C)	N/M (N/M)	Stan Hodgins Shenandoah University (Matthew Moore University of Northwestern St. Paul)	Old Dominion Athletic (Upper Midwest Athletic Conference)	Hodgins*	Moore	Moore	Moore (9/28)*
III	1	AD	N/M	Jason Lener Westminster College	President's Athletic	Lener	Lener	Lener*	
III	2	C	N/M	Jonathan Dratch Union College	Liberty	Dratch	Dratch	Dratch	Dratch*

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NCAA Football Rules Committee Nominees										
Nominee	Job Title	Institution	Conference	Gender	Ethnicity	Qualification Statement	Education Degree	Professional Employment History	Current Committee Service (Term End Date)	Previous Committee Service
Termaine Jackson	Head Football Coach	Valdosta State University	Gulf South Conference	M	Black/African American	I am qualified for this committee due to my years of experience in our great game. Nineteen years of coaching college football on multiple levels. Five years as a Head Football Coach in Division 2.	Master's	Valdosta State University - Head Coach (Currently in 3rd Year) Colorado Mesa University - Head Coach (2 years)		None