



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 18, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **KPI overview.** The Division II Championships Committee at its October 3 videoconference, during which members received a presentation on the NCAA Power Index (NPI) as a metric-based tool for team sport championship selections, also requested a presentation on the KPI, which is another selections metric that various NCAA sport committees in all three divisions have used over the last several years. (Staff noted that the session is being recorded since the meeting was scheduled on short notice and not all members could attend.)

The committee heard from Kevin Pauga, an assistant director of athletics at Michigan State University who developed the results-based KPI, about how it is currently used to inform championship selections. The KPI essentially ranks team resumes on game-by-game results rather than on a predictive basis. As with the NPI presentation, committee members asked questions throughout in order to differentiate the KPI from other metrics.

The committee will continue evaluating selection metrics during subsequent meetings as it weighs whether to modify the current process in which regional advisory committees rank teams throughout the season and then the sport committee selects the field (i.e., whether to replace that selection process with a more automated system).

Committee Chair: Regan McAthie, Concordia University, St. Paul
Staff Liaison(s): Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances
Micaela Liddane, Championships and Alliances
Chelsea Hooks, Academic and Membership Affairs

Division II Championships Committee October 18, 2024, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Marcus Clarke, Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association.	
Sandee Mott, Texas Woman's University.	
Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (Management Council chair).	
Christina Paone, Walsh University.	
Gary Pine, Azusa Pacific University.	
Jay Poerner, Lone Star Conference.	

Cade Smith, University of Alabama in Huntsville.
Stan Wagnon, University of Central Oklahoma.
Absentees:
Terry Beattie, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Chris Colvin, Conference Carolinas.
Neil Duval, Saint Anselm College of Saint Rose.
JJ Hayes, Palm Beach Atlantic University.
Erin Lind, Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (Management Council vice chair).
Regan McAthie, Concordia University, St. Paul.
Courtney Medwin, West Chester University of Pennsylvania.
Guests in Attendance:
Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.
Jim Donatelli, KPI.
Kevin Pauga, KPI.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Karen Kirsch, Championships and Alliances.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Ryan Jones, Angela Red, and CJ Sowards.