

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION II MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE SEPTEMBER 11, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Identify active member host institution for Middle Georgia State University. Per the NCAA Division II membership process, provisional year one institutions must participate in a visit to an active member institution's campus in year one of the process. The NCAA Division II Membership Committee selected Georgia Southwestern State University as the host institution for Middle Georgia.

[Note: Jessica McIntyre, associate athletics director of internal affairs/senior woman administrator, Lee University; Christie Ward, deputy athletic director, Catawba College; and Christina Whetsel, associate athletics director for compliance & administration/senior woman administrator, Augusta University, recused themselves from the discussion and voting regarding Middle Georgia.]

- 2. Active member issues. The committee received an update regarding the ongoing accreditation issue with Saint Augustine's University. Additionally, Saint Augustine's failed to submit its 2024-25 sports sponsorship data and therefore did not meet the Division II minimum sports sponsorship requirements for the 2024-25 academic year. As a result, the institution is on probationary status for the 2025-26 academic year. If the institution fails to meet the minimum sports sponsorship requirements during the 2025-26 academic year, the institution will be placed in restricted membership status.
- 3. Update regarding Menlo College. NCAA Staff provided an update that the NCAA Division II Management Council Subcommittee upheld the Membership Committee's decision to require Menlo to repeat provisional year two of the membership process.
- 4. Update on the Division II Compliance Blueprint Review Program. The committee received an update regarding the status of the compliance blueprint review program for the 2025-26 academic year. Specifically, it was noted that the process to request a review opened in Program Hub in late August and 16 reviews will be conducted during the 2025-26 academic year.
- 5. Review of 2026 NCAA Convention Division II proposals. The committee reviewed the 16 legislative proposals that will be voted on by the Division II membership at the 2026 Convention.
- **Recap of provisional year one orientation videoconference.** Staff provided an update regarding the agenda and programming from the September 9, 2025, provisional year one orientation videoconference.

- 7. **Update on 2025-26 campus visit schedule.** Staff provided the committee with an update regarding the provisional year one visits to Ferrum College and Middle Georgia. Additionally, staff provided an update on post-application visits for institutions that apply for the expedited membership process by the October 1 deadline.
- 8. Update regarding feedback related to direct institutional name, image and likeness. The committee received an update regarding a referral from the NCAA Division II Legislation Committee regarding direct institutional name, image and likeness. The committee members were asked to review the questions and be prepared to share any feedback during its November 6, 2025, videoconference.
- 9. Approval of the July 8-9, 2025, in-person meeting and August 18, 2025, videoconference reports. The committee reviewed and approved its July 8-9, 2025, in-person meeting and August 18, 2025, videoconference reports.
- **10. Review of the 2025-26 Division II Priorities.** The committee received an update on the priorities for the division for the upcoming academic year.
- 11. **Update on the work of the NCAA Board of Governors.** The committee received an update from the Board of Governors most recent meeting.
- 12. Review of the summer 2025 NCAA Division II Executive Board and NCAA Division II Management Council summary of actions. Staff provided an update on the summary of actions from the Executive Board and Management Council summer 2025 meetings.
- **13. Election of committee chair.** The committee received an update that an election for a new chair will take place during its November 6, 2025, videoconference.
- 14. Future scheduled meetings/videoconferences.
 - a. November 6, 2025, videoconference; 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern time.
 - b. February 10, 2026, videoconference; timing to be determined.
 - c. April 2026, videoconference; timing to be determined.
 - d. July 8-9, 2026, in-person meeting; Indianapolis.

Committee Chair: Christina Whetsel, Augusta University

Staff Liaisons: Jeremy Christoffels, Division II Governance and Member Services

Jordan Lysiak, Division II Governance and Member Services Katelyn Skarr, Division II Governance and Member Services

NCAA Division II Membership Committee
September 11, 2025, Videoconference

Attendees:

Molly Belden, Northeast-10 Conference.

Melanie Brunsdon, Winona State University.

Kris Dunbar, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Robert Mallory, Missouri Southern State University.

Jessica McIntyre, Lee University.

Cindy McKnight, Ursuline College.

Thomas Newsom, Pittsburg State University.

James Reid, Angelo State University.

Christie Ward, Catawba College.

Christina Whetsel, Augusta University.

Absentees:

Michael Bazemore, Montana State University Billings.

Roberta Page, Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania (Management Council chair).

Guests in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Liaisons in Attendance:

Jeremy Christoffels, Jordan Lysiak and Katelyn Skarr.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Dana Conner, Terri Steeb Gronau, Maritza Jones, Taylor Koper, Angela Red and Courtney Wengryn.