

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE
AUGUST 28, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. **Legislative items.**
 - None.
2. **Nonlegislative items.**
 - None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome.** The videoconference commenced at 1:02 p.m. Eastern. The chair welcomed the committee.
2. **Review of August 1 report.** The committee had no edits or corrections and approved the report.
3. **2025 NCAA Convention legislation.** The committee reviewed and approved in final legislative form the following 2025 NCAA Convention legislative proposals sponsored by the Division III Management Council, consistent with the September 1 deadline.
 - **Legislative Authority and Process - Amendment Process - Amend the Legislative Process.** This proposal amends the Division III legislative process. The committee acknowledged that this proposal has been identified as presidential and requires Presidents Council review. The council will formally consider it at its October meeting.
 - **Eligibility -- General Eligibility Requirements -- Admission And Enrollment -- Create an Exception for Graduated Students Enrolled at a Non-Member Institution That has a Formal Institutional Academic Relationship With a Division III Institution.** This proposal creates an exception that would allow a student who has graduated from a Division III institution to maintain their athletics eligibility for that Division III institution while enrolled at an accredited non-member institution without a varsity athletics program, provided there is a formal institutional academic relationship between the Division III institution and the accredited non-member institution. The committee acknowledged that this proposal has been identified as presidential and requires Presidents Council review. The council will formally consider it at its October meeting.
 - **Division Membership -- Change of Division Membership -- Three-Year Provision -- Establish A Waiver.** This proposal establishes a waiver of the reclassification three-year provision to shorten the process from three years to two years.

4. **Membership sponsored proposals.** Staff noted that, as of this videoconference, four membership proposals have been fully sponsored. The sponsorship deadline is September 1. Staff also indicated that one proposal may be withdrawn due to the Management Council's recent action to approve a similar proposal as noncontroversial legislation.
5. **Noncontroversial legislation.** The committee reviewed and approved, in final format, the following noncontroversial proposals approved in concept during the Management Council's summer meeting. The committee's action allows the proposals that impact the 2024-25 competition seasons for ice hockey and Nordic skiing, to be effective immediately versus waiting until after the October Management Council meeting.
 - Playing and Practice Season - Ice Hockey - Preseason Practice - Elimination of Exception -- Off-Ice Training. The legislation eliminates the exception (17.14.2.1) that allows ice hockey teams to have off-ice practice sessions starting the first Monday in October.
 - Playing And Practice Seasons --Skiing -- Establish Start/End Dates For Nordic Skiing. The legislation establishes a playing season start date of October 8 and an end date of March 29 or the end of the United States Nordic Super Tour Finals, whichever occurs later.
6. **Administrative Committee composition.** The recent vice chair election of the Management Council prompted a review of Bylaw 21.13.1, which details the composition of the Division III Administrative Committee. The committee supports the legislated size (five members) and supports the chair and vice-chair of each council serve on the committee. The committee also noted that having one to two athletics administrators serving on the committee was important. Staff will incorporate the feedback and provide an administrative change to the bylaw for the councils to review and act on at a future meeting.
7. **Sports wagering.** Staff noted that the councils will continue to review the Association's current sports wagering legislation and discuss the merits of deregulating the legislation regarding betting on professional sports. During the October meetings, the councils will receive the latest student-athlete sports wagering survey results, an update from the Sport Science Institute on the impact of sports wagering on student-athlete health and safety as well as an update from the office of legal affairs.
8. **2025 Convention dinner.** The committee supported having a dinner at Convention of the current and incoming Administrative Committee members.
9. **Additional business.** Staff provided an update regarding the new ESPN broadcasting contract and noted that ESPN+ has the rights to livestream all rounds of the Division III football championship (i.e., first, second and quarterfinals). However, there may be higher

production standards (e.g., more cameras). Staff will continue to explore the options for the division and provide updates.

10. Adjournment. The committee adjourned at 2:08 p.m. Eastern.

Committee Chair: Jim Troha, Juniata College.

Staff Liaisons: Louise McCleary, Division III Governance

Bill Regan, Division III Governance

Jeff Myers, Academic and Membership Affairs

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Attendees:	
Joanne Berger-Sweeney, Trinity College (Connecticut)	
Rob Larson, Luther College.	
Melinda Treadwell, Keene State College.	
Jim Troha, Juniata College.	
Jason Verdugo, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.	
Absent:	
None.	
NCAA Staff in Attendance	
Louise McCleary, Jeff Myers, Lisa Rogers.	