

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III ADVISORY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 22, 2022, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **1. Welcome and roster.** The videoconference commenced at 2 p.m. Eastern time. The chair welcomed the Advisory Council and reviewed the roster noting the following new members:
 - Peter Bothner, director of athletics, Nazareth College.
 - Scott Brown, director of athletics, Buena Vista University.
 - Linda Bruno, commissioner, Skyline Conference.
 - Matt Burke, director of athletics, Fitchburg State University.
 - Crystal Gibson, director of athletics, St. Mary's College of Maryland.
 - Ashley Hodges, director of athletics and wellness, Notre Dame of Maryland University.
 - Rachael Scoones, student-athlete, SUNY Delhi.
 - Stephanie Smyrl, director of athletics, Lesley University.
- **2. Review of February 1, 2022, videoconference report.** The Advisory Council reviewed the report and had no changes or edits.
- 3. Review of Division III bylaws, policies and initiatives chart. Staff informed the Advisory Council of the purpose of the bylaws, policies and initiative chart, highlighting the Advisory Council's charge to manage the implementation of the strategies necessary to fulfill the requirements stemming from the adoption of the new NCAA Constitution. Additionally, the Advisory Council is charged with managing the review of issues identified by the Division III membership and governance committees. These issues are compiled in the chart. To facilitate the work, five legislative areas were determined, subcommittees were created, and a chair appointed to each.
 - a. Organization: Heather Benning, chair.
 - b. Membership: Darryl Sims, chair.
 - c. Legislative Concepts: Michelle Morgan, chair.
 - d. Budget: Stevie Baker-Watson, chair.
 - e. Championships: Stuart Robinson, chair.

The council agreed each subcommittee will convene a meeting to discuss the issues identified in the chart, determine the appropriateness and priority of each issue, as well as a preferred strategy to move the issue through the Division III governance structure. Each subcommittee will report their progress at the next scheduled Council meeting.

- **4. Future meetings.** The chair noted that the Advisory Council's next videoconference is Monday March 14, 2 p.m. Eastern.
- **5. Adjournment.** The committee adjourned at 3 p.m. Eastern time.

Committee chair: Fayneese Miller, Hamline University. Staff Liaisons: Louise McCleary, Division III Governance

Eric Hartung, Division III Governance

Jeff Myers, Division III Academic and Membership Affairs Bill Regan, Division III Academic and Membership Affairs

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Robin Baker, George Fox University.

Stevie Baker-Watson, DePauw University.

Heather Benning, Midwest Conference.

Pete Bothner, Nazareth College.

Chuck Brown, Penn State - Behrend.

Scott Brown, Buena Vista University.

Linda Bruno, Skyline Conference.

Gerard Bryant, John Jay College of Criminal Justice.

Matt Burke, Fitchburg State University.

Jason Fein, Bates College.

Sarah Feyerherm, Washington College (MD).

Kate Foster, The College of New Jersey.

Crystal Gibson, St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Tom Hart, USA South Athletic Conference.

Ashley Hodges, Notre Dame of Maryland University.

Megan Koch, Colorado College.

Angela Marin, University of Texas at Dallas.

Fayneese Miller, Hamline University.

Betsy Mitchell, California Institute of Technology.

Michelle Morgan, John Carroll University.

Stuart Robinson, New York University.

Lori Runksmeier, Eastern Connecticut State University.

Rachael Scoones, SUNY Delhi

Darryl Sims, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh.

Stephanie Smyrl, Lesley University

Patrick Summers, New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference.

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Brad Bankston, Old Dominion Athletic Conference.

Steve Briggs, Berry College.

Troy Hammond, North Central College.

NCAA Staff in Attendance

Eric Hartung, Louise McCleary, Jeff Myers, Bill Regan.