

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE MAY 19, 2025, ELECTRONIC VOTE

ACTION ITEMS.

None

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. 2026 men's lacrosse championship site recommendation. The Division III Championships Committee approved the recommendation from the Division III Men's Lacrosse Committee that the University of Virginia host the 2026 Division III Men's Lacrosse Championship in conjunction with the Divisions I and II championships at Scott Stadium in Charlottesville, Virginia. The action is necessary as the originally selected host for the joint championships in 2026, Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, Massachusetts, is unable to host due to subsequently being selected as a host site for the 2026 FIFA World Cup. The University of Virginia has presented several suitable hotel options that meet minimum requirements for the teams and officials and will be able to host this championship with an emphasis not only on the student-athlete experience but also an enhanced fan experience.
- **2. Sport committee reappointment**. The Championships Committee approved the following sport committee reappointment:
 - NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field and Cross Country Committee Jonathan D'Ottavio (three-year term), assistant cross country and track and field coach, Moravian University, Landmark Conference.
- **3. Sport committee appointments.** The Championships Committee approved the following appointments effective September 1, 2025, unless noted otherwise.
 - **a.** NCAA Division III Women's Basketball Committee Region IV: Meg Barber, head women's basketball coach, New York University, University Athletic Association.
 - **b.** NCAA Men's and Women's Fencing Committee Midwest Region: Peter Grandbois, head fencing coach/professor of English, Denison University, North Coast Athletic Conference.
 - **c. NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee** Region V: **Christa Burgess**, director of athletics, Trinity Washington University, Independent.

- **d.** NCAA Division III Men's Soccer Committee Region VI: Tom Galbraith (immediate vacancy replacing Nate Stewart), director of athletics, Randolph College, Old Dominion Athletic Conference.
- **e.** NCAA Division III Softball Committee Region II: Dani Bishop, head softball coach, Brandeis University, University Athletic Association.
- f. NCAA Division III Women's Tennis Committee Region VI: Mark Murphy, women's tennis coach, Kalamazoo College, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.
- g. NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Committee Region III: Justin Beachy (immediate vacancy replacing Nikki Ayers), head men's volleyball coach, Messiah University, Middle Atlantic Conferences.

Committee Chair: Leonard Trevino, Chatham University

Staff Liaisons: Laura Peterson-Mlynski, Championships and Alliances

J.P. Williams, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees:

Renee Bostic, State University of New York at New Paltz.

Arturo Casas, Manchester University.

Tim Demant, Whitworth University.

Jason Doviak, Alfred State University.

Chad Eisele, Hampden-Sydney College.

Maureen Harty, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin.

Shannon Howley, Montclair State University.

Duey Naatz, University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Russ Rogers, Stevens Institute of Technology.

Sara Shoffner, Huntingdon College.

Leonard Trevino, Chatham University.

Jason Verdugo, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire.

Ashley Wagner, Notre Dame of Maryland University.

Absentees:

None.

Guests in Attendance:

Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.

NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:

Laura Peterson-Mlynski, Championships and Alliances.

J.P. Williams, Championships and Alliances.

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Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

None.