

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE OCTOBER 31, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

• **Nullification appeal.** The Division III Championships Committee reviewed correspondence from a member institution appealing nullification penalties assessed due to an ineligible student-athlete having participated in five men's soccer matches in late August through September 2024.

After review and discussion, the Championships Committee denied the appeal, noting the lack of compelling mitigating circumstances. The committee believes there were several reasonable opportunities over an extended period to identify the circumstance and take the steps necessary to either correct it or withhold the student-athlete from competition.

Committee Chair: Karen Tessmer, Worcester State University

Staff Liaisons: Laura Peterson-Mlynski, Championships and Alliances

J.P. Williams, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees:

Tim Demant, Whitworth University.

Jason Doviak, Alfred State University.

Chad Eisele, Hampden-Sydney College.

Maureen Harty, College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin.

Duey Naatz, University of Wisconsin-Stout.

Adaobi Nebuwa, Colby College.

Sara Shoffner, Huntingdon College.

Karen Tessmer, Worcester State University.

Leonard Trevino, Chatham University.

Jason Verdugo, Hamline University.

Absentees:

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

Shannon Howley, Montclair State University.

Guests in Attendance:

Gary Brown, NCAA Contractor.

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NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:

Laura Peterson-Mlynski, Championships and Alliances.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Margaret Gaines, Louise McCleary, Jeff Myers and Bill Regan.