

# REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE JULY 18, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE

## ACTION ITEMS.

None.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements. The committee commenced business at 1:02 p.m. Eastern.
- 2. Membership Committee roster and conflict of interest. Committee members were reminded of the NCAA Conflict of Interest Policy and proper procedures for recusal if a conflict of interest might arise. Committee members reviewed the roster and conflict of interest documentation.
- **3. Review policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed the updated policies and procedures documents.
- **4. Review of June 26-27 meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the meeting report from the June in-person meeting.
- **5. 2023-24 Sport Sponsorship Waiver Requests.** The committee reviewed and took action on the sports sponsorship waiver requests from the following institutions:
  - a. <u>Lesley University</u>. The committee denied a waiver of Bylaw 20.11.3 for the 2023-24 academic year of the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements in the sport of men's outdoor track and field, noting insufficient mitigation.
  - b. <u>Medgar Edgars College</u>. The committee approved a waiver of Bylaw 20.11.3 for the 2023-24 academic year of the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements in the sport of women's soccer. In its approval, the committee noted sufficient mitigation was provided.
- 6. Review of Athletics Consortium Waiver Request. The committee reviewed an athletics consortium request from Otterbein University and Antioch University-Yellow Springs. The committee noted all criteria of Bylaw 20.3.2 (Athletics Consortium) have been met and the institutions are required to renew the request every four academic years.
- 7. **Future meeting schedule.** The committee reviewed its future meeting schedule.

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- 8. Other business. The committee received an update after the NCAA Division II Membership Committee discussed the merger of University of Findlay (Division II) and Bluffton University (Division III). The committee will review the additional information about the institutional merger at its September meeting.
- **9. Adjournment.** The committee concluded its business and adjourned 2:42 p.m. Eastern.

Committee Chair: Corey Borchardt, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference

Staff Liaison(s): Eric Hartung, Division III Governance

Brittany Higgins, Academic and Membership Affairs Sarah Turner, Academic and Membership Affairs

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#### **Attendees:**

Corey Borchardt, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference.

Doug Chin, Great Northeast Athletic Conference.

Frederick Clark, Bridgewater State University.

Greg Cooper, Heidelberg University.

Kim Fierke, State University of New York at Oneonta.

Christine Hagedorn-Nordenholt, Rosemont College.

Wayne Lewis, Houghton University.

Miriam Merrill, Pomona-Pitzer Colleges.

Chris Roekle, Coast-to-Coast Conference.

William Stiles, Alvernia University.

#### Absentees:

Lillian Case, Juniata College. (SAAC representative).

#### **Guests in Attendance:**

None.

#### NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:

Eric Hartung, Brittany Higgins and Sarah Turner.

## Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Louise McCleary.