

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE JULY 17, 2025, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- **1. Welcome and announcements**. The NCAA Division III Membership Committee commenced business at 1:10 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 and updated, as necessary. Committee members followed the recusal procedures during all deliberations.
- **3. Review policies and procedures.** The committee reviewed the policies and procedures documents.
- **4. Review of June meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from the June 25-26 meeting.
- **5. 2024-25 Sport Sponsorship Waiver Requests.** The committee reviewed and took action on the sports sponsorship waiver requests from the following institutions:
 - a. <u>Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts</u>. The committee approved a waiver of Bylaw 20.11.4 for the 2024-25 academic year of the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements in the sport of women's basketball noting sufficient mitigation was provided. Due to conflict, Fred Clark, Bridgewater State University, was recused from the conversation.
 - b. <u>Sarah Lawrence College</u>. The committee approved a waiver of Bylaw 20.11.4 for the 2024-25 academic year of the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements in the sport of men's swimming and diving, noting sufficient mitigation was provided.
 - c. <u>SUNY Polytechnic Institute</u>. The committee approved a waiver of Bylaw 20.11.4 for the 2024-25 academic year of the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements in the sport of women's cross country, noting sufficient mitigation was provided. Due to conflict, Wayne Lewis, Houghton University, was recused from the conversation.
- 6. Review of reconsideration of a sports sponsorship waiver for University of Maine at **Presque Isle.** The committee reviewed and denied a reconsideration waiver request of Bylaw

20.11.4 for the 2024-25 academic year of the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements in the sports of women's cross country and women's track and field, noting insufficient mitigation was provided.

- 7. Future meeting dates. The committee reviewed its upcoming meeting schedule.
- **8. Other business.** NCAA staff notified the committee that the Division III Strategic Planning and Finance Committee approved funding for the live stream of the Division III education sessions at the 2026 Regional Rules Seminar.
- **9. Adjournment.** The committee concluded its business and adjourned 2:32 p.m., Eastern time, July 17.

Committee Chair: Chris Roekle, Coast-to-Coast Conference Staff Liaison(s): Eric Hartung, Division III Governance

> Brittany Higgins, Academic and Membership Affairs Julie Zike, Academic and Membership Affairs

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Attendees:

Tony Berich, Stockton University.

Frederick Clark, Bridgewater State University.

Christine Hagedorn-Nordenholt, Rosemont College.

Brian Johnson, North Central College.

Wayne Lewis, Houghton University.

Chris Roekle, Coast-to-Coast Conference.

Absentees:

Lillian Case, Juniata College. (SAAC representative).

Greg Cooper, Heidelberg University.

Kim Fierke, State University of New York at Oneonta.

Guests in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:

Eric Hartung, Brittany Higgins, and Julie Zike.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

Will Morrison, Joan Nissen and Bill Regan.