



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 15, 2026, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Welcome and announcements.** The NCAA Division III Membership Committee commenced business at 1:00 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 August 20 and October 1, 2026, meeting reports.** The committee reviewed and approved the reports from the August 20 and October 1 meetings.
- 5. Reconsiderations of sports sponsorship waiver requests.** The committee reviewed and took action on two requests for reconsideration.
 - a. Medgar Evers College.** The committee approved the request, upon reconsideration, to waive the minimum sports sponsorship requirement for the 2025-26 academic year in the sport of women's soccer.
 - b. Pratt Institute.** The committee denied the request, upon reconsideration, to waive the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements for the 2025-26 academic year in the sport of men's golf. In its denial of the request, the committee noted insufficient mitigation was provided.
- 6. Review of handoff package from the Division III Analysis Working Group.** The committee reviewed and discussed the handoff package from the Division III Analysis Working Group. The working group asked the committee for feedback on one option delegated for Membership Committee review.

Expand Enrollment-Based Sport Sponsorship Tiers: Amend Bylaw 20.11.4 to add enrollment breakpoints with scaled sponsorship minimums, modeling AQ implications first. Larger institutions keep current minimums; smaller ones gain a baseline matched to operating capacity.

The committee agreed that the timing of the request to examine the Division III minimum sports sponsorship standards is appropriate. Discussion will continue at the next scheduled meeting

7. **Future meeting dates.** The committee reviewed its upcoming meeting schedule.
8. **Other business.** The committee
9. **Adjournment.** The committee concluded its business and adjourned at 2:01 p.m., Eastern time.

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

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Attendees:	
Tony Berich, Stockton University.	
Frederick Clark, Bridgewater State University.	
Elizabeth Carleton, University of Rochester (SAAC representative).	
Brian Johnson, North Central College.	
Daniel C. Kane, University of Maine at Presque Isle.	
Chris Roekle, Coast-To-Coast Conference.	
Absentees:	
Greg Cooper, Heidelberg University.	
Wayne Lewis, Houghton University.	
Shana Levine, Northwest Conference.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Eric Hartung and Julie Zike.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Secaida Howell.	