



**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 19, 2024, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The committee commenced business at 1 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 policies and procedures documents.
4. **Review of August meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved its August 22 videoconference report.
5. **Recommend position for 2025 Convention proposal.** The committee recommended that Management Council take the following position on a membership-sponsored proposal under consideration for the Convention:
 - **Division III Proposal – Multisport Conference Membership Size Minimum Requirement.** The committee recommended the council take a position of support for this proposal. Because this proposal aligns the multisport conference size requirement with the current automatic qualifier standard, it provides institutions and conferences with consistency and clarity. Additionally, it appropriately considers the geography of the division and allows for greater flexibility to conferences and institutions in more geographically isolated parts of the country. Corey Borchardt, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference and Chris Roekle, Coast-to-Coast Conference recused themselves.
6. **Review 2025 Convention Question and Answer Guide.** The committee reviewed and provided the staff with feedback regarding the 2025 NCAA Convention Division III Legislative Proposals Question and Answer guide.
7. **Institutional Merger.** The committee reviewed additional documents detailing the merger of the University of Findlay (Division II) and Bluffton University (Division III) and will continue to monitor the status of the merger.

8. **Future meeting schedule.** The committee reviewed its future meeting schedule.
9. **Other business.** The committee will vote on a new chair at a future meeting to replace the outgoing chair completing their term in January 2025. Additionally, committee members will be invited to attend the New Member Session at the 2025 NCAA Convention.
10. **Adjournment.** The committee concluded its business and adjourned 2:38 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

NCAA Division III Membership Committee September 19, 2024, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Corey Borchardt, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference.	
Doug Chin, Great Northeast Athletic Conference.	
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).	
Frederick Clark, Bridgewater State University.	
Guests in Attendance:	
None.	
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:	
Eric Hartung, Brittany Higgins and Sarah Turner.	
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:	
Joan Nissen and Tori Sutherland.	