



REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 15, 2023, VIDEOCONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

- None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome and announcements.** The committee commenced business 1 p.m. Eastern time.
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 17, 2023, meeting report.** The committee reviewed and approved the report from the August 17 videoconference.
5. **Division III active membership.**
 - a. 2022-23 Sport Sponsorship Waiver Request: Webster University. The committee approved a waiver of Bylaw 20.11.3 for the 2022-23 academic year of the minimum sports-sponsorship requirements in the sports of women's cross country, women's indoor track and field and women's outdoor track and field. In its approval, the committee noted the mitigating circumstances due to the COVID-19 pandemic, staffing turnover and the subsequent impact on the institution's ability to recruit new student-athletes and retain current enrolled student-athletes. Finally, the committee appreciated the university's proactive action plan demonstrating how it will remedy the challenges for the 2023-24 academic year and beyond.
 - b. Review of Athletics Consortium Waiver Request. The committee reviewed an athletics consortium waiver request from the Pomona-Pitzer Colleges, a consortium of Pomona College and Pitzer College. The committee noted that Pomona-Pitzer have maintained an athletics consortium under a waiver granted by the committee and are required to renew the waiver request every four academic years. The committee noted the circumstances of the consortium have not changed since the previous request and renewed the consortium waiver.

6. **Other business.** The committee received an update about upcoming campus visits to Carlow University and Penn State University, Brandywine as well as the educational videoconferences for the remaining institutions in the new member process.

7. **Adjournment.** The committee concluded its business and adjourned 1:44 p.m. Eastern time.

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 15, 2023, Videoconference
Attendees:
Corey Borchardt, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference.
Lillian Case, Juniata College. (SAAC representative)
Doug Chin, Great Northeast Athletic Conference.
Kim Fierke, State University of New York at Oneonta.
Michael Frandsen, Wittenberg University.
Erica Lemm, Mount Holyoke College.
Miriam Merrill, Pomona-Pitzer Colleges.
William Stiles, Alvernia University.
Absentees.
Christine Hagedorn-Nordenholt, Rosemont College.
Jan Hathorn, Washington and Lee University.
Wayne Lewis, Houghton University.
Chris Roekle, Coast-to-Coast Conference.
Guests in Attendance:
None.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Eric Hartung, Brittany Higgins and Sarah Turner.
Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:
Bill Regan and Lisa Rogers.