

**REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III ANALYSIS WORKING GROUP
AUGUST 5, 2026, VIDEOCONFERENCE**

ACTION ITEMS.

1. **Legislative items.**
 - **None.**
2. **Nonlegislative items.**
 - **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Welcome.** Rob Larson, serving as the acting chair, welcomed the working group and commenced the meeting at 2 p.m. Eastern. The working group reviewed its charge that outlines its objectives and commitment to representing the diversity of the division.
2. **Report of the June 16 meeting.** The working group approved the report of its June 16 meeting as presented.
3. **Feedback from Management and Presidents Councils.** The working group received a summary of the conversation the Management and Presidents Councils had regarding the working group's recommendation. The Presidents Council approved the working group's recommendation to distribute options to various bodies in the governance structure, the membership, back to the working group and a parking lot for future discussion.
4. **Fundamental change concept case study.** The working group reviewed and discussed a case study intended to examine the age-based eligibility model submitted as a 2027 Convention proposal. The group explored the perceived problem(s) the model is intended to address and potential benefits and unintended consequences of implementing the model. The group presented diverse views and agreed that timely framing this analysis would be beneficial for the division. To support the development of the case study, the working group directed staff to collect additional data, including time to degree for Division III students, the number of Division III institutions with graduate programs, information on student-athlete participation in study abroad, internships and co-ops, and the cost associated with attending school for a fifth year. The working group anticipates finalizing the case study at its September meeting. It will then share it with the membership to help frame the discussion on this topic.
5. **Identified options – committee handoff.** After receiving Presidents Council approval, the working group described how it will share options for mitigating core tensions with the designated Division III governance committees and the membership. The working group recommends that each governance committee evaluate the option based on its impact on the student-athlete collegiate and athletic experience and on institutions, including financial, staffing and facilities considerations. [See Attachment.]

Additionally, each option sent to a committee or the membership will include a summary page identifying the root cause the option is intended to address; describing the option and its potential impact; summarizing data and relevant findings from stakeholder interviews and the membership survey; outlining any potential legislative impact and benefits; and providing the proposed implementation timeline.

6. **Next steps.** At its September meeting, in addition to finalizing the eligibility case study, it will review a case study designed to assist the NIL Working Group with its work. It will also begin its review of the options referred to the working group by the Presidents Council. These include creating financial resources (e.g., peer benchmarking), a comprehensive review of playing and practice seasons, and governance strategic planning.
7. **Additional business.** There was no additional business.
8. **Future videoconferences and meetings.** The working group reviewed its upcoming meeting schedule that includes a September videoconference and an October in-person meeting. A poll will be sent to schedule the November and December videoconferences.
9. **Adjournment.** The videoconference ended at 4:07 p.m. Eastern.

Working Group chair: Marc Camille, Albertus Magnus.

*Staff Liaisons: Louise McCleary, Division III Governance and Member Services
Jeff Myers, Division III Governance and Member Services
Bill Regan, Division III Governance and Member Services*

NCAA Division III Analysis Working Group August 5, 2026, Videoconference	
Attendees:	
Jonathan Accardi, Keuka College.	
Eric Bitterbaum, State University of New York at Cortland.	
Meg Nowak Borrego, Framingham State University.	
Jessica Chapin, Brandeis University.	
Brad Duckworth, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.	
G. Anthony Grant, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.	
Portia Hoeg, Centennial Conference.	
Erica Perkins Jasper, Claremont Mudd Scripps.	
Heidi Jaynes, Carleton College.	
Paige Kluba, Piedmont University.	
Alfred Lamptey, University of Mount Saint Vincent.	
Rob Larson, Luther College.	
Frank Merckx, Drew University.	
Joe Onderko, Presidents' Athletic Conference.	
Adam Puckett, George Fox University	
Andrea Talentino, Augustana College (Illinois).	

Wayne Webster, Albion College.
Lori White, DePauw University.
Absentee:
Marc Camille, Albertus Magnus College.
NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:
Louise McCleary, Jeff Myers, and Bill Regan.
Additional Staff Members in Attendance:
Lisa Rogers
Guests.
None.

	Short-Term (3-12 Months)	Medium-Term (12-24 Months)	Long-Term (24+ Months)
NCAA DIII ANALYSIS WORKING GROUP	3.3 ELIGIBILITY DATA COLLECTION / TRENDS 3.4/3.2 CONSIDER NEW ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS 4.15 FINANCIAL PEER BENCHMARKING SUITE 4.12 LEGISLATIVE COST SCORING (CONF, INST) 5.1 MEMBER SEGMENTATION STUDY	2.12 COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF TRAD SEGMENT 6.13 GOVERNANCE ARCHITECTURE REVIEW	4.14 NCAA TECH CENTRALIZATION 6.12 DIII TRIENNIAL STRATEGIC FORUM
CONFERENCES	4.10 STREAMING AND MEDIA SUPPORT 6.2 CONFERENCE PRESIDENTIAL ENGAGEMENT 6.4 CROSS-CONFERENCE PEER SHARING	6.6 ADR OBSERVER ACCESS AT MEETINGS	
INSTITUTIONS	6.11 PRESIDENT-SAAC DIRECT DIALOGUE		
NCAA COMMITTEES	1.1 AGGREGATE FORMAL NPI RESOURCES ✈️ 1.2 ESTABLISH BIENNIAL NPI DIAL REVIEW ✈️ 4.4 PUBLISH NIL GUARDRAILS ✈️ 2.13 COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF NON-TRAD SEGMENT 6.1 EXTEND CHAIR TERM TO 2 YEARS 2.8 PLAN FINANCING FOR EMERGING-SPORT ✈️ 4.1 COLLECTIVE PURCHASING CONSORTIUM ✈️	1.3 REQUIRE PUBLISHED RATIONALE FOR BID 4.2 PUBLISH NIL BEST PRACTICES PLAYBOOK 4.6 MODEL 2035 MEMBERSHIP 5.4 EXPAND SPORT SPONSORSHIP TIERS	4.9 DIII CHAMPIONSHIPS PRODUCTION
PARKING LOT	2.1 Publish Support Staff Best Practices 2.3 Support Staff Governance Initiative 2.4 Host Coverage for Gameday Staff	2.7 Restore Week-Based Practice Limits 2.9 Allow Non-Physical Coach Contact 3.1 Define 'Primarily Four-Year' in DIII Policy	5.2 Lower the Sport Sponsorship Floor 6.5 Formally Recognize ADRs in Governance 6.8 Provide Virtual Opportunities for Presidential Engagement