



# Division III February Webinar

## 2021 NCAA Convention Recap

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# Agenda

- NCAA Convention Recap.
  - Council updates.
    - ✓ Championships.
    - ✓ Division I sustainability.
    - ✓ Campus sexual violence policy.
  - LGBTQ and Allies Recognition Award ceremony.
  - Division III keynote presentation.
  - Name, Image and Likeness legislation.
- Q&A.

# Championship Updates

- Administrative Committee action regarding winter championships.
  - Decision timeline.
  - Threshold rationale.
  - Process.

# Championship Updates (cont.)

- Reduced minimum contest requirements for spring championship selections to 50%. (2020-21)
- Spring brackets and field sizes (team and individual) currently at 75%.
- Monitoring and adjusting spring selection dates.
- Spring automatic qualification.

# Championship Updates (cont.)

- Added championship questions to compliance Q&A.
- Return to Championships Guidelines.
- COVID testing at spring championships.
- Confirmation of previously assigned predetermined hosts.

# Division I Sustainability

- Division I Board of Directors and Presidential Forum identified sustainability as a primary emphasis over the next 18 months.
  - April 2021 – initial short-term review areas.
    - ✓ Extension of COVID relief in certain areas (e.g. membership requirements).
  - April 2021 to Aug. 2022 – additional discussions and feedback on long-term sustainability issues.
- Providing updates to the Division III Councils.

# Campus Sexual Violence Policy

- BOG expanded campus sexual violence policy (April 2020).
- New Title IX regulations (August 2020).
- Creation of Association-wide task force.
  - Develop operational guidelines and best practices (Summer 2021).
- Expanded policy is effective with 2022-23 attestation requirements (May 2023).
- Attestation still required in May 2021 and 2022.
- Division III education session.

# LGBTQ and Allies Recognition Awards

- Held the inaugural LGBTQ and Allies Recognition Award Program. 2020 LGBTQ of the Year recipients:
  - Institution: Bridgewater State University (MA).
  - Admin./Coach/Staff: Hillary Arthur, Willamette University.
  - Student-athlete: Kena Gilmour, Hamilton College.
- 2021 recognition award nominations open Feb. 1.





# Keynote Speaker

- Lenora Billing Harris presented on Turning Barriers into Bridges by Disrupting Bias to Accelerate Results.
  - [Participant workbook](#) located on ncaa.org on the Division III convention resource page.
- Contact information for Lenora Billing Harris is via her website: <https://www.ubuntuglobal.com/>

# Name, Image and Likeness Legislation

- NIL proposal withdrawn.
  - Received Department of Justice letter citing concerns.
  - Recommendation by Management Council and BOG to withdraw. Understanding by national SAAC.
- Committed to modernizing legislation to provide NIL opportunities.
- Anticipate Council action once DOJ issues addressed and resolved.

# Questions?

- All questions, must be submitted via your computer, using the following instructions:
  - Click on the chat icon.
  - Type in message and click send.