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National Collegiate Athletic Association

Division III Championships Committee

Jesse Owens Room/Theodore Roosevelt Room, NCAA Brand Building September 10-11, 2012
Indianapolis, Indiana

1. Opening remarks and review of schedule and agenda.

2. Approval of recent reports. [Supplement No. 1 – to be made available closer to the meeting.]

3. Chair appointment.

4. Update from NCAA Division III SAAC.

5. Discuss in-region requirement for automatic qualifiers. [Supplement No. 2]

6. Recap of the meeting with sport committee chairs.

7. Update from Playing Rules Oversight Panel. [Supplement No. 3]

8. Emerging sports for women. [Supplement No. 4] (NCAA Staff)

9. Sports committee recommendations.

    a. Baseball. [Supplement No. 5]

    b. Women's basketball. [Supplement No. 6]

    c. Men's golf. [Supplement No. 7]

    d. Women's golf. [Supplement No. 8]

    e. Men's ice hockey. [Supplement No. 9]

    f. Women's ice hockey. [Supplement No. 10]

    g. Men's lacrosse. [Supplement No. 11]

h. Women's lacrosse. [Supplement No. 12]

i. Rowing. [Supplement No. 13]

j. Softball. [Supplement No. 14]

k. Men's and women's swimming and diving. [Supplement No. 15]

l. Men's and women's tennis. [Supplement No. 16]

m. Men's and women's track and field. [Supplement No. 17]

n. Men's volleyball. [Supplement No. 18]

10. 2013-14 and beyond regional alignment recommendations. [Supplement No. 19]

11. 2012 Spring championship reports. [Supplement No. 20]

12. 2012 Spring championship enhancement reports. [Supplement No. 21]

13. Special Olympics activation at championships.

a. 2011-12 championships. [Supplement No. 22]

b. 2012-13 activation outlook.

14. Future meeting dates and sites.

a. February 11-12, 2013 meeting (Indianapolis, Indiana).

b. Tentative: June 2-3, 2013 meeting (Indianapolis, Indiana).

c. Tentative: September 8-10, 2013 meeting (Indianapolis, Indiana).

15. Other business.

a. NEWMAC men's lacrosse waiver request. [Supplement No. 23]

b. Referral to baseball committee. [Supplement No. 24]

c. Championships travel and budget update. (NCAA Staff)

d. Calculation of strength-of-schedule in selection criteria. (NCAA Staff)

16. Adjournment.

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE AUGUST 21, 2012 TELECONFERENCE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

- **None.**

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **Opening Remarks.** The chair, Mr. Robinson, welcomed the NCAA Division III Championships Committee and opened the meeting.

2. **NCAA Championships and Alliances Staff Updates.** NCAA staff provided an overview of the championships and alliances department restructuring based on communication previously distributed from the NCAA national office on July 27. New staff leadership was highlighted, including several new championship managers for Division III. The committee emphasized the balanced and even approach that is ideal for the administration of Division III championships and is hopeful that the new staff structure will support that approach.

3. **Management Council/Presidents Council Updates.** Mr. Downes and Mr. Martinez, serving as the respective liaisons to the Management Council and Presidents Council, provided updates concerning championship matters, including proposals recently submitted by the committee that received approval.

4. **Feedback on Draft Misconduct Protocol.** The committee discussed several changes to the draft of the NCAA championships misconduct protocol and agreed to modify the procedures to allow for 14 days between steps in the process (vs. 30 days). NCAA staff will reflect the agreed upon changes in the document and make it available for presentation to the sport committee chairs at the September in-person meeting.

5. **Review of Draft Agendas for September In-Person Meeting.** The committee reviewed the agendas (sport committee chair meeting and separate committee meeting) for the September in-person meeting and noted that materials for the meeting will be made available on August 31.

6. **Tentative Meeting and Teleconference Schedule for 2012-13.** The committee reviewed the schedule for in-person and teleconference meetings in 2012-13 and agreed on the teleconference dates and one in-person meeting to be held February 11-12. The dates of the two additional in-person meetings will be finalized during the September in-person meeting.

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7. Other Business. In other business, the committee approved the recommendation to change the site of the 2013 NCAA Division III Rowing Championships to Indianapolis, Indiana. The University of Notre Dame and Indiana Sports Corporation will serve as the co-hosts for the competition to be conducted at Eagle Creek Park. The previously approved host, Clemson University, recinded its bid to host the championships. The Indiana Sports Corporation and the University of Notre Dame are proven rowing hosts, with experience in the past two years hosting the Big Ten Rowing Championships. Eagle Creek Park was the successful host venue for the 2001 NCAA Division I, II, and III Rowing Championships. Furthermore, the Indiana Sports Corporation has a large pool of volunteers that can assist with the championship and has successfully hosted other large NCAA championships in the recent past. Lastly, with the site location of Indianapolis, the championship staff will be able to work closely with the host and provide support within the moderately short planning timeline.

The committee also conducted a preliminary review of the proposal from the NCAA Division III Men's Ice Hockey Committee to change the championship date formula and combine the final game of the championship with the Division I Frozen Four. The committee discussed several implications of the proposed change, including the extension of the championship segment of the season and the ability to provide a comparable experience for women's ice hockey. The committee agreed to seek feedback from commissioners of conferences that sponsor men's ice hockey before completing a full review of the proposal at the September in-person meeting.

8. Adjournment. Mr. Robinson adjourned the call.

Committee Chair: Stuart Robinson, State University College at New Paltz
Staff Liaisons: Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliances

Teleconference, August 21, 2012	
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Monica Severson, Wartburg College	
Other Participants	
Dan Dutcher, NCAA	
Jeff Myers, NCAA	
Liz Turner Suscha, NCAA	

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REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
AUGUST 7, 2012 ELECTRONIC MAIL

ACTION ITEMS.

None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM.

- **Sport Committee Appointments.** The Championships Committee approved the following sport committee appointments, effective September 1, 2012.

    1. Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee – Metro region: Meghan McDonogh, assistant director of athletics/head women's lacrosse coach, Catholic University.

    2. Division III Softball Committee – Midwest region: Renae Hartl, associate director of athletics/head softball coach, Luther College.

Committee Chair: Stuart Robinson, State University College at New Paltz
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Electronic Mail, August 7, 2012	
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Title: EXECUTIVE REGULATIONS -- SELECTION OF TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPATION -- SEVENTY PERCENT IN REGION REQUIREMENT AND ALL DIVISION III CONTESTS CONSIDERED PRIMARY CRITERIA

Convention Year: 2013

Date Submitted: July 31, 2012

Effective Date: August 1, 2013

IPOPL Number:

SPOPL Number:

Official Notice Number: ADM-2013-2

Source: NCAA Division III Management Council (Championships Committee).

Category: Administrative Regulation

Topical Area: Executive Regulations

Status: Ready for Ratification at Convention

Intent: To specify that the selection criteria include contests against Division III opponents in the primary criteria and contests against opponents from other classifications (i.e., NCAA Divisions I and II and NAIA) are included in the secondary criteria. Further, to specify that institutions play at least 70 percent of their scheduled competition against in-region, Division III opponents to be considered for selection to NCAA championships for team sports other than golf and tennis. In tennis, to specify that an institution's team must play at least 50 percent of its scheduled competition against in-region opponents to be eligible for selection to the Division III championships.

Administrative: Amend 31.3.3, as follows:

[31.3.3 through 31.3.3.1.2 unchanged.]

31.3.3.1.2.1 ~~*Fifty*~~ **Seventy** Percent Requirement. An institution must play at least ~~*50*~~ **70** percent of its scheduled competition against in-region opponents to be eligible for selection to Division III team championships. 31.3.3.1.2.1.1 Waiver. Institutions that fail to play ~~*50*~~ **70** percent of contests against in-region opponents may appeal to the Championships Committee for a waiver. The waiver shall be approved on a sport-by-sport basis for a period of one year, and the request shall be received not later than December 31 of the year before the championship. If the Championships Committee grants the appeal, the institution may be considered for selection to Division III team championships.

[31.3.3.1.2.2 through 31.3.3.1.2.2.1 unchanged.]

31.3.3.1.3 Individual Sports That Select At-Large Championship Participants as Teams – 25 **or 50**-Percent Requirement. In ~~*individual sports that select at-large championships as teams (e.g., golf and tennis)*~~ **golf**, an institution's team must play at least 25 percent of its scheduled competition against in-region opponents to be eligible for selection to the Division III championships. **In tennis, an institution's team must play at least 50 percent of its scheduled competition against in-region opponents to be eligible for selection to the Division III championships.**

[31.3.3.1.3.1 unchanged.] 31.3.3.1.3.2 ~~*Twenty-Five*~~ **Fifty** Percent Calculation—Tennis. In the sport of tennis, only those teams within a tournament or contest in which the team directly competes against shall be included in the ~~*25*~~ **50** percent calculation. [31.3.3.1.3.3 through 31.3.3.1.3.3.1 unchanged.] 31.3.3.1.3.4 Waiver. Institutions that fail to play 25 percent

of **golf** contests **or 50 percent of tennis contests** against in-region opponents may appeal to the Championships Committee for a waiver. The waiver shall be approved on a sport-by-sport basis for a period of one year, and the request shall be received not later than December 31 of the year before the championship. If the Championships Committee grants the appeal, the institution may be considered for selection to Division III team championships.

[31.3.3.1.4 unchanged.]

31.3.3.2 Selection Criteria. The governing sports committee responsible for the selection of the balance of the championships field shall select teams in Pools B and C based on the criteria below. The criteria of two or more teams shall be compared to determine the higher-ranked team. An attempt shall be made to determine the ranking of two or more teams after consideration of the primary criteria (see Bylaw 31.3.3.2.1). If the evaluation of the primary criteria does not result in a decision, the secondary criteria will be used (see Bylaw 31.3.3.2.2). All the criteria listed will be evaluated (not listed in preferential order).

31.3.3.2.1 - Primary Criteria -- Ranking and Selection (All Contests Leading up to NCAA Championships).

(a) Won-lost percentage against ~~*regional*~~ **Division III** opponents;

(b) ~~*In-region*~~ **Division III** head-to-head competition;

(c) ~~*In-region r*~~**R**esults versus common ~~*regional*~~ **Division III** opponents;

(d) ~~*In-region r*~~**R**esults versus regionally ranked **Division III** teams will be considered as follows:

(1) Opponents are considered ranked once they appear one time in the sport's official rankings; and

(2) Conference postseason contests are included; and

(e) **Division III** ~~*S*~~**s**trength of schedule (see Bylaw 31.3.3.2.3).

(f) Should a committee find that evaluation of a team's won-lost percentage during the last 25 percent of the season is applicable (i.e., end-of-season performance), it may adopt such criteria with approval from the Championships Committee.

31.3.3.2.2 - Secondary Criteria -- Ranking and Selection.

~~*(a) Out-of-region head-to-head competition;*~~

~~*(b)*~~**(a)** ~~*Overall*~~ **Non-**Division III won-lost percentage;

~~*(c)*~~**(b)** Results versus common non-Division III opponents;

~~*(d) Results versus Division III teams ranked in other regions;*~~

~~*(e) Overall won-lost percentage;*~~

~~*(f) Results versus common out-of-region opponents;*~~

~~*(g)*~~**(c)** ~~*Overall*~~ **Non-**Division III strength of schedule; and

~~*(h) Should a committee find that evaluation of a team's won-lost percentage during 25 percent of the season is applicable (i.e., end-of-season performance), it may adopt such criteria with approval from the Championships Committee.*~~

Rationale:

Primary Contact Person:

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Co-sponsorship:

Conference:

None

Institution:

Position Statement(s)

none

Review History:

April 16, 2012: Approved in Concept - Management Council Supplement No. 7-(c), Item No. 1-(b).

July 24, 2012: Approved in Legislative Format - Management Council Supplement No. 29, Item No. 8-(b).

Additional Information: The proposed revisions to the selection criteria maintain the Division III emphasis on in-region competition by requiring an institution to schedule a minimum of 70 percent of its contests against in-region Division III opponents in order to be considered for selection for team sports other than golf and tennis. Further the revisions increase the in-region requirements for tennis to 50 percent to be eligible for selection to the Division III championships. Institutions will continue to have four ways to meet the in-region requirement: 1) all competition within an institution¿s defined sport region; 2) all competition within an institution¿s geographical region per Constitution 4.13.1.1) all competition within a 200-mile radius; and 4) all conference competition. Once the institutions that have met the in-region percent threshold (i.e., 25 percent for golf, 50 percent for tennis and 70 percent for other team sports) have been identified, sport committees will then have the ability to rank and select teams based on each institution¿s full body of work against Division III opponents. Currently, team sport committees rank and select teams by first evaluating the primary (in-region) criteria, and then if a decision is not able to be reached, evaluating the secondary (overall) criteria. During the selection process, it can be challenging for sport committees to select teams nationally using regional criteria because, when comparing teams from different sport regions, often the only criteria available is win-loss percentage and strength of schedule due to limited cross-region play (i.e., few head-to-head contests or common opponents). The revisions to the selection criteria will make more comparative data available for committees to evaluate to identify and select competitive teams that are committed to the Division III philosophy of in-region competition.

Convention Vote:

No Convention Record

REPORT OF THE NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL JUNE 12, 2012, CONFERENCE CALL

KEY ITEMS.

- Approval of the Men's and Women's Basketball Rules Committees' reports.

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- None**.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. The report from the April 17, 2012, conference call was accepted as written.

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INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

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REPORT OF THE
NCAA PLAYING RULES OVERSIGHT PANEL
September 2012

***KEY ITEMS*.**

- The Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) conducted conference calls in June and July.

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **None.**

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. Action Taken. Approval was given in several sports for their reports, rules proposals or rules modifications.

a. Reports were approved for men's basketball, women's basketball, women's lacrosse, softball and wrestling.

b. Proposals were approved for ice hockey and track and field.

c. Modifications submitted for women's gymnastics were approved.

2. Future Business. August and September conference calls will cover the remainder of business for the 2011-12 academic year.

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Emerging Sports Backgrounder

When the NCAA accepted the report of its Gender-Equity Task Force in 1994, one of the recommendations was the creation of the list of emerging sports for women, which provided incentive to the membership to explore new sports and attempted to identify potential NCAA championship sports. An emerging sport is a women's sport recognized by the NCAA that is intended to help schools provide more athletics opportunities for women and help sports achieve NCAA championship status at an accelerated pace. Institutions are allowed to use emerging sports to help meet the NCAA minimum sports-sponsorship requirements and also to meet the NCAA's minimum financial aid awards. Sports do not have to be NCAA championship or emerging sports to be varsity, nor does such status mean the institution's conduct of the sport meets Office for Civil Rights or Title IX standards for varsity sports.

Nine sports were on that first list. In the past 16 years, four have become championship sports, while others have been added to or removed from the list. Women's rowing, which became a National Collegiate championship in 1997 and split into championships for each division in 2002, has seen the most growth — and had the longest time to see the impact of NCAA recognition. Women's ice hockey and women's water polo, which both earned NCAA championship status in the 2000-01 season, have experienced growth, too. Women's bowling, a championship sport since 2003-04, is expected to see sponsorship numbers rise even higher in the upcoming season. Each of those sports has grown and succeeded uniquely. The NCAA Emerging Sports for Women's web page can be found at:
http://www.ncaa.org/wps/ncaa?ContentID=40539

The process of becoming an emerging sport calls for self-identification and motivation by schools, national governing bodies and participants to promote the sport as varsity. Ten NCAA-member institutions' presidents and athletics directors must support the sport as varsity for it to be reviewed by the association-wide NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics (CWA) as a potential NCAA emerging sport. The CWA is charged with managing the emerging sports for women process.

a. If an activity meets the definition of a sport (see next bullet point) a proposal and 10 supporting letters are submitted to the CWA. The proposal must include documentation/supporting information that demonstrates that the sport meets the criteria received by the CWA when assessing the viability of the sport.

b. The definition of a sport is: an institutional activity involving physical exertion with the purpose of competition versus other teams or individuals within a collegiate competition structure. Furthermore, sport includes regularly scheduled team and/or individual, head-to-head competition (at least five) within a defined competitive season(s); and standardized rules with rating/scoring systems ratified by official regulatory agencies and governing bodies. Support from the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights for the activity meeting their definition of a sport is helpful to the committee and membership.

c. NCAA bylaws governing emerging sports require sponsorship levels to reach the championship minimum of 40 within 10 years or show steady progress in growth. Bylaw 20 lists emerging sports and describes how a sport is removed from the list.

d. Criteria addressed in the proposal must address the following:

i. There must be 20 or more varsity teams and/or competitive club teams that currently exist on college campuses in that sport.

ii. Other data exists that demonstrates support for the sport. For example:

a) Collegiate recreation and intramural sponsorship.
b) High-school sport sponsorship.
c) Nonscholastic competitive programs.
d) Association and organization support.
e) U.S. Olympic Committee support (E.g., classified as an Olympic sport, National Governing Body support, grants).
f) Conference interest in sports sponsorship.
g) Coaches Association support.
h) Professional sports support.

iii. There is demonstrated understanding that once identified as an emerging sport, all NCAA institutions wishing to sponsor the sport at the varsity level must abide by all NCAA regulations, which include limits on playing and practice seasons, recruiting regulations and student-athlete eligibility.

e. Emerging-sport proposals must include information on general competition rules, suggested NCAA regulations (e.g., playing and practice season, financial aid limits, coaching limits, recruiting) and format for the sport (e.g., expected facility requirements and costs, minimum and maximum competitions).

f. In addition to the proposal, 10 letters of commitment must be submitted by member institutions that sponsor or intend to sponsor the sport as a varsity sport and include the signatures of the president and the athletics director of those institutions. Additionally, the letters must be dated within one year of the submission of the proposal and letters, unless a specific exception is granted by the committee.

Current emerging sports for women include: Equestrian (Divisions I and II), Rugby, and Sand Volleyball (Divisions I and II).

In the summer of 2007, CWA requested that four sports on the list which showed low sponsorship and little or no growth go through the process of finding ten school commitments in order to remain on the list. These sports had the following NCAA varsity sponsors: archery - 1, badminton - 2, synchronized swimming - 8 and team handball – 0. None of these sports were able to find more than six schools committed to varsity status on their campus, and each was dropped from the list of emerging sports for women through legislative change adopted by each division and effective August 1, 2009. A sport not on the list can still be treated as varsity and considered in the athletic department's equity planning. A sport taken off the list can seek emerging sport status again by submitting a proposal and 15 letters of commitment signed by school presidents and athletics directors, if at least 12 months has passed since the sport was removed from the list. Squash also passed the ten-year mark on the list as it was one of the original nine. The sport had 28 NCAA varsity programs but CWA saw no further action by the squash national governing body to respond to requests for information about contact with emerging sports and use of grant funds. As a result of failure to reach 40 sponsors or show

steady progress, CWA requested that each division remove squash from the emerging list. That change was effective August 2011.

The sport of Triathlon has submitted a proposal approved by the CWA. The sport is working to gather the required ten letters from NCAA presidents and athletics directors.

NCAA Emerging Sports Timeline

When the NCAA adopted the recommendations of its Gender-Equity Task Force in 1994, one of the recommendations was the creation of the list of emerging sports for women.
Nine sports were on that first list. In the past 14 years, some have become championship sports, while others have been added to the list. NCAA bylaws require that emerging sports must gain championship status (minimum 40 varsity NCAA programs) within 10 years or show steady progress toward that goal to remain on the list. Institutions are allowed to use emerging sports to help meet the NCAA minimum sports-sponsorship requirements and minimum financial aid awards. Any sport, with proper, documented support, can self-identify as an emerging sport.

In the years since the emerging-sports list was created, four have earned full-fledged championship status. Women's rowing, which became a National Collegiate championship in 1997 and split into championships for each division in 2002, has seen the most growth — and had the longest time to see the impact of NCAA recognition. Women's ice hockey and women's water polo, which both earned NCAA championship status in the 2000-01 season, have experienced growth, too. Women's bowling, a championship sport since 2003-04, is expected to see sponsorship numbers rise even higher in the upcoming season. Each of those sports has grown and succeeded uniquely.

The NCAA Committee on Women's Athletics is responsible for monitoring emerging-sport sponsorship and legislation.

1991: NCAA surveys its member institutions' expenditures for women's and men's athletics programs. Study results show undergraduate enrollment is about even (50/50), but male students constitute about 70 percent of the participants in intercollegiate athletics, their programs receive about 70 percent of athletics scholarship funds, 77 percent of operating budgets and 83 percent of recruiting funds.

1992: In response to the 1991 survey results, the NCAA Gender-Equity Task Force is established.

1993: The final report of the Gender-Equity Task Force is published. The Task Force recommends institutional standards and NCAA regulations to help achieve gender equity. Nine "emerging" sports (five team and four individual sports) are identified.

1994: The NCAA principle of gender equity is adopted at the NCAA Convention to create greater participation opportunities.

1994-95: Financial aid legislation and minimum contests and participants required for sports sponsorships applicable to emerging sports programs become effective.

1995-96: Amateurism legislation, seasons of competition legislation and awards and benefits legislation applicable to emerging sports programs become effective.

1996: A National Collegiate Championship for women's rowing is adopted at the NCAA Convention. Legislation to establish championships in emerging sports may be proposed during the second year in which 40 or more institutions sponsor the sport for two consecutive academic years. Financial aid legislation and minimum contest and participant requirements for some women's sports are revised for some emerging sports.

1996-97: Coaching limits and playing and practice legislation for emerging sports become effective. Institutions that sponsor an emerging sport must be in full compliance with all remaining NCAA legislation. [NOTE: Per NCAA Bylaw 14.01.6.2, the initial-, continuing- and general-eligibility legislation is only effective for student-athletes first entering the collegiate institution on or after August 1, 1996.]

1997: In April, the Council voted, effective August 1, 1997, to remove women's rowing from the list of emerging sports, inasmuch as the Association sponsored a national collegiate championship in that sport.

1998: Divisions I, II and III adopted noncontroversial legislation to identify equestrian as an emerging sport for women. However, the Division III Management Council decided to rescind equestrian as an emerging sport for women.

2000-01: Women's ice hockey was removed from the list of emerging sports and the Association sponsored a national collegiate championship in that sport.

2000-01: Women's water polo was removed from the list of emerging sports and the Association sponsored a national collegiate championship in that sport.

2001-02: Division III established women's ice hockey as a divisional championship. Division I and II still participate in a national collegiate championship.

2001-02: The women's rowing national collegiate championship was reclassified and divisional championships were established for Divisions I, II and III.

2002-03: Rugby is added as an emerging sport for women in all three divisions.

2004: Women's bowling was removed from the list of emerging sports and the Association sponsored a national collegiate championship in that sport.

2009: Women's archery, badminton, synchronized swimming and team handball removed from the list of emerging sports in all three NCAA divisions for lack of growth.

2010-2011: Sand volleyball added to the list of emerging sports for women in Division I and II.

Current Emerging Sports Sponsorship

The following table includes the varsity sports for women that were offered by NCAA institutions during the 2007-08 academic year. **2010-11 NCAA Women's Varsity Sports**

Sport	Division I	Division II	Division III	Total	Compared to 2007-08
Basketball*	335	302	435	1072	+15
Bowling*	33	21	8	62	+10
Cross Country*	333	283	410	1026	+38
Equestrian	18	5	23	46	+1
Fencing*	24	4	15	43	--
Field Hockey*	79	26	159	264	+6
Golf*	248	160	167	575	+59
Gymnastics*	63	5	15	83	-2
Ice Hockey*	35	3	49	87	+6
Lacrosse*	89	62	206	357	+56
Rifle*	22	4	8	34	-2
Rowing*	85	17	40	142	-2
Rugby	2	1	2	5	--
Skiing*	12	7	16	35	-7
Soccer*	315	242	427	984	+28
Softball*	283	279	407	969	+19
Squash	10	0	19	29	+1
Swimming & Diving*	194	86	243	523	+14
Tennis*	314	230	377	921	+23
Track & Field, Indoor*	305	152	237	694	+49
Track & Field, Outdoor*	312	188	278	778	+33
Volleyball*	321	292	426	1039	+25
Water Polo*	33	8	19	60	--
Total	**3,465**	**2,376**	**3,986**	**9,827**	**+369**

*championship sport

2013 NCAA Division III
BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

PROPOSED

Fox Cities Stadium
Appleton, Wisconsin
May 23-May 29, 2013

BRACKET ONE

Game 1
10 a.m. Thursday
May 23

Game 2
1:15 p.m. Thursday
May 23

Winner Game #1

Winner Game #2

Game 5
Noon Friday
May 24

Winner Game #5

Loser Game #1

Game 7
Noon Saturday
May 25

Loser Game #2

Loser Game #5

Game 9
Noon Sunday
May 26

Winner Game #8

Game 11
Noon Monday
May 27

Winner game #10

Winner Game 11

Game 13 **
Noon Tuesday
May 28
if necessary

Loser Game 11

BRACKET TWO

Game 3
4:30 p.m. Thursday
May 23

Game 4
7:45 p.m. Thursday
May 23

Winner Game #3

Winner Game #4

Game 6
3:30 p.m. Friday
May 24

Winner Game #6

Loser Game #3

Game 8
3:30 p.m. Saturday
May 25

Loser Game #4

Loser Game #6

Game 10
3:30 p.m. Sunday
May 26

Winner Game #7

Game 12
3:30 p.m. Monday
May 27

Winner Game #9

Loser Game #12

Game 14 **
TBD Tuesday
May 28
if necessary

Winner Game #12

***Game 13, 14 or 15**
1 p.m. Wednesday
May 29

NATIONAL CHAMPION

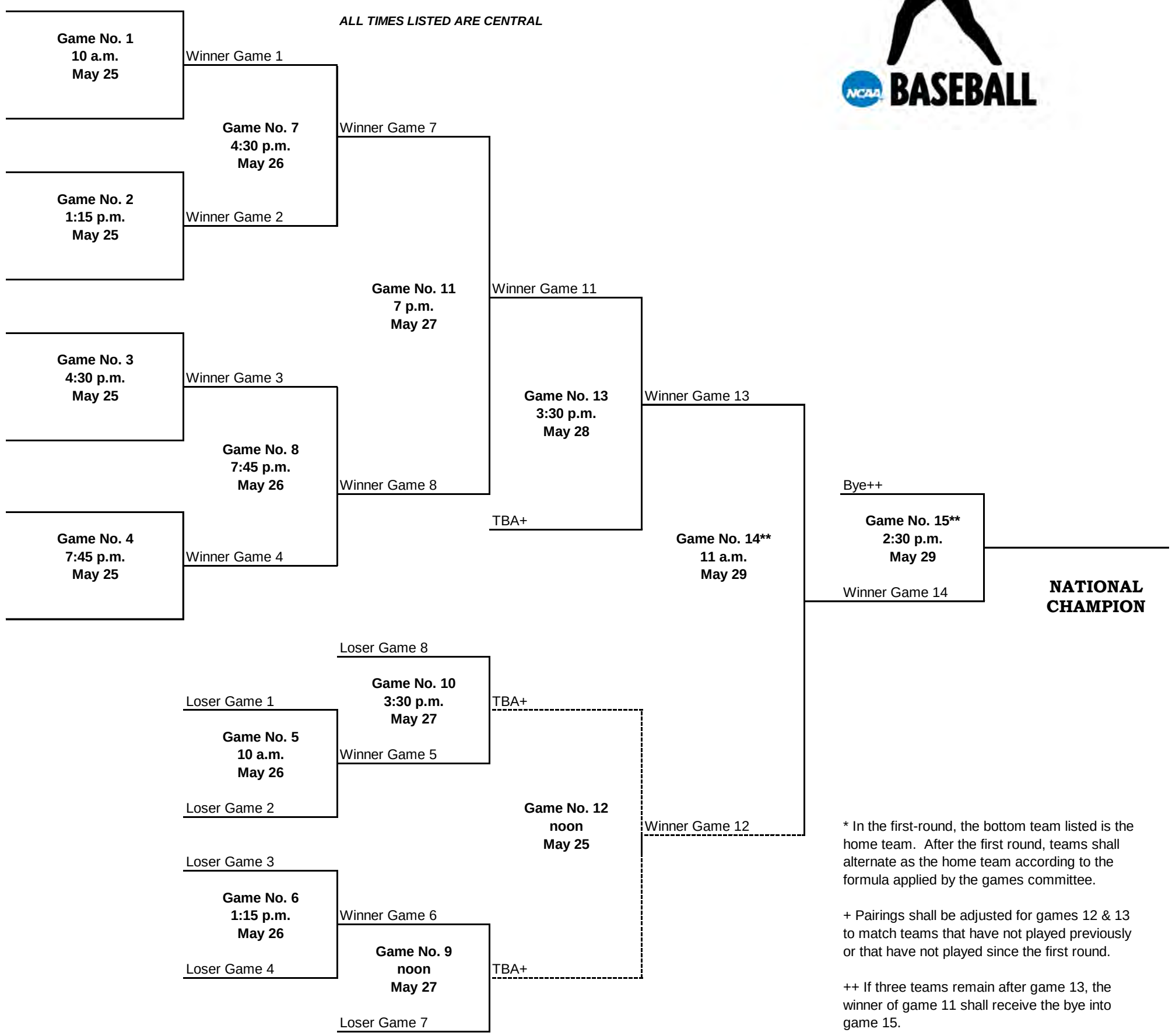
*If both bracket winners are undefeated, there will be no games Tuesday and the championship will be Game 13.

**If there are two games Tuesday, times wil be noon and 3:30 p.m. ; if only one game start will be noon.

2012 Division III BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Fox Cities Stadium
Appleton, Wisconsin

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE CENTRAL



* In the first-round, the bottom team listed is the home team. After the first round, teams shall alternate as the home team according to the formula applied by the games committee.

\+ Pairings shall be adjusted for games 12 & 13 to match teams that have not played previously or that have not played since the first round.

++ If three teams remain after game 13, the winner of game 11 shall receive the bye into game 15.

Note: The NCAA Division III Baseball Committee reserves the right to revise the schedule in the event weather conditions and/or media commitments require such changes.

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COMMITTEE MEETING AUGUST 7, 2012 Teleconference

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Item.

- **Automatic Qualification.**

(1) Recommendation. That the following 43 conferences receive automatic bids for their conference champions into the 2012 NCAA Division III Women's Basketball Championship: Alleghany Mountain Collegiate Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference; Centennial Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Colonial State Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Commonwealth Coast Conference; Empire 8 Conference; Freedom Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Great South Athletic Conference (*First Year Grace Period*); Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Liberty League; Little East Conference; Massachusetts State Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Collegiate Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference; New Jersey Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; Skyline Conference; Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (*First Year Grace Period*); St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; University Athletic Association; Upper Midwest Conference; USA South Athletic Conference and Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The 43 conferences meet the criteria to receive automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

Committee Chair: *Robin Hamilton, University of Puget Sound, Northwest Conference*
Staff Liaison(s): *Holly Sheilley, Championships and Alliances*
Ethan Walker, Championships and Alliances

August 7, 2012 Teleconference	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Tim Bernero, Carthage College	
Matthew Donohue, Catholic University	
Robin Hamilton, University of Puget Sound	
Dixie Jeffers, Capital University	
Keith Mondillo, Gwynedd-Mercy College	
Aaron Nester, Oglethorpe University	
Tara Ruckh, State University of New York at Potsdam	
Lisa Yenush, Wheaton College (Massachusetts)	
Other Participants: Holly Sheilley, NCAA Ethan Walker, NCAA.	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE JUNE 25-27, MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **2012-13 Automatic Qualification.**

a. Recommendation. That the following 30 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Golf Championship: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference, American Southwest Conference, Centennial Conference, College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin, Colonial States Athletic Conference, Commonwealth Conference, Empire 8, Freedom Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Liberty League, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Midwest Conference, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, New England Collegiate Conference, New England Small College Athletic Conference, North Atlantic Conference, North Coast Athletic Conference, North Eastern Athletic Conference, Northern Athletics Conference, Northwest Conference, Ohio Athletic Conference, Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Presidents' Athletic Conference, St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Skyline Conference, Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, USA South Athletic Conference and the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference be granted automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Golf Championships. Anticipated Pool numbers for 2013 are:

Pool A – 30
Pool B – 4
Pool C - 7

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. Each conference meets the defined criteria for automatic qualification.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **2011 Annual Meeting Minutes**. The Division III Men's Golf committee reviewed the 2011 meeting minutes and approved without any modifications.

2. **2011-12 Championships Committee Actions**. The Div. III men's golf committee members reviewed the actions and informational items from 2011-12 academic year. The committee reviewed and discussed applicable items to Division III men's golf.

3. **2012 Championships Review**. The committee reviewed all elements surrounding the 2012 Division III men's golf championships.

   a. The committee reviewed the championships evaluations that had been submitted from participants, coaches, committee members and rules officials. The committee made note of where issues occurred and discussed each.

   b. The committee reviewed the schedule of events for the championships. The committee believed the Special Olympics clinic was well done and appreciated all the coaches and student-athletes that participated. The committee felt the new practice time on the first day helped those teams that traveled in from the west coast and that should be continued in the future and evaluated each year.

   c. The committee reviewed the role of Golfstat at the championship and had no issues.

   d. The committee reviewed the rules officials and believed the check point system worked fine in its first year. The committee believes more communication is needed next year as well as a rules official to oversee the check point system. The committee is comfortable with a co-chair arrangement next year with Mr. Tim Kilty and Mr. Kurt Faxon serving as co-chairs on the rules side for the 2013 championships.

e. The committee believed the merchandise was satisfactory for the championships.

f. The committee thought the banquet went well. The committee will no longer require a jacket and tie for participants and coaches at the banquet. Slacks and a golf shirt will be acceptable beginning with the 2013 championships.

g. The committee continues to like the role Executive Sports provides to the championships and believe that they add an enhancement to the student-athlete experience. The committee is supportive of using Executive Sports again in 2013.

h. The committee looked at the tee times and pairings for the championships. The committee is going to adjust tee times for 2013 to utilize a two tee start with two waves for the first two days of competition. The committee believes this will help with the pace of play those first two days. Tee times for the first two days will be at 7 a.m. with an early sunrise at the site in 2013.

i. The committee would like to continue to use enhancement funds to cover expenses with Executive Sports at the championships.

4. **Sport Sponsorship Analysis**. The committee reviewed the Division III men's golf sponsorship. The committee looked at anticipated projection pools for 2013. It was noted that the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference will not be in a grace period for their AQ since they drop below four core institutions that sponsor the sport. Projected pool numbers for 2013 are Pool A – 30, Pool B – 4 and Pool C – 7. The committee will look to move the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference from the Central to the South region and potentially the President's Athletic Conference from the Mid-Atlantic region to the Great Lakes region. Both of these moves would help even out numbers a little more. It was noted that the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference will be placed in the West region for all their schools while the schools in the Southern Athletic Association will be placed in the South region.

5. **Selection Process**. The committee reviewed the selection process and criteria for the championship. It was noted that the criteria will change slightly in 2013-14 with the primary criteria being contests versus all Division III schools and the secondary criteria being those contests versus Division I, II, NAIA, etc.

- The committee discussed the minimum yardages that currently exist for tournament results to count towards selection in Golfstat. The committee believes that those minimum yardages may need to be updated and will work with the other Divisions to see if new minimums should be established.

6. **Bylaw 20 Discussion**. The committee reviewed the information relative to Bylaw 20 and whether there could be an individual student-athlete that could compete in a minimum number of contests while the team does not the minimum requirement. The men's golf committee does not believe this would occur in the sport of men's golf except for in extreme cases where disciplinary action had been taken.

7. **Check Point System Review**. The committee will continue to use the check point pace of play system at the championships.

8. **National Committee/RAC Review**. The committee noted the new national committee members that will be on the committee effective in September 2012. The committee discussed the openings on the Regional Advisory Committee and the process for filling those from conference commissioners. The committee noted that the SCAC should not be filled in the south region as the SCAC will move to the West region.

   - The committee discussed the RAC balloting that was done this year. The committee believed it worked well; however, RAC members need to be very careful in selecting the teams that should be ranked as mistakes happened during the voting. The committee did not take a stance one way or the other in support of continuing to use the RAC balloting in the future.

9. **Update on Sport, NGB, Coaches Association and Cabinet**. The committee reiterated their support of the new groove rule that will be in effect in January of 2014 for all amateur events.

10. **Site Review/Future Bid Processes/Sites**. The committee discussed the timeline for future bids for the national championships and noted that the west coast has not hosted a championship since 2004.

11. **Manual Review**. The committee reviewed the pre-championships handbook and tournament directors manual and noted the recommended updates.

12. **Future Meeting Dates**. The committee determined that meeting dates for 2013 will be June 24-26 in Indianapolis.

13. **Outgoing Committee Members**. The committee thanked Mr. Chafin and Mr. Kindle for their service to the committee over the past four years.

Committee Chair: Denise Udelhofen, Loras College
Staff Liaison(s): Donnie Wagner; Championships and Alliances

June 25-27, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	Absentees
Kevin Beattie, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Roger Kindel, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham
Brian Chafin, Centre College	
Brian Lane, Transylvania University	
Jeff Lindgren, California Lutheran University	
Denise Udelhofen, Loras College	
Other Participants Mark Laesch, Golfstat Donnie Wagner, NCAA	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE JULY 10-12, 2012 MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Women's Golf Automatic Qualification.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 14* conferences sponsoring women's golf be awarded automatic qualification into the 2013 championships. The field will be increased from 19 teams to 21 teams due to increased sport sponsorship.

American Southwest Conference; Centennial Conference, College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Middle Atlantic Conference; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; and Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

The anticipated pool allocations for 2012 are: Pool A – 14, Pool B – 4 and Pool C – 3.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Each conference meets the defined criteria for automatic qualification.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None

*The Centennial Conference, Middle Atlantic Conference, Northern Athletics Conference and Presidents' Athletic Conference have completed the automatic qualification application but in the past, each conference has had institutions not meet minimum participation requirements and therefore, have not been granted an AQ. This review and determination will be completed at selections.

Please note that pool allocations may be adjusted based on 2012-13 sponsorship numbers.

b. Date Formula.

(1) Recommendation. That the date formula for the Division III Women's Golf Championships be changed to the second Tuesday of May. Currently, the date formula for Division III Women's Golf is the second Tuesday or Wednesday of May.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate

(3) Rationale. In the past, the hosts have chosen the championships competition dates to be Tuesday-Friday with a walk-through on Sunday and a practice round on Monday. Offering the host to choose either Tuesday or Wednesday has at times been confusing and typically a golf course will choose to host Tuesday-Friday rather than use a weekend day if the Wednesday-Saturday option was chosen.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None

c. Chair.

(1) Recommendation. That Darla Kirby, associate director of athletes and compliance officer at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, be appointed chair of the NCAA Division III Women's Golf Committee to replace Martha Nause, effective immediately.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Ms. Nause's term will expire September 1, 2012. Ms. Kirby has been on the committee for two years and has demonstrated excellent leadership qualities that will benefit the committee. The committee voted for Ms. Kirby unanimously.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **2011 Annual Meeting Minutes.** The committee approved the 2011 annual meeting minutes as submitted.

2. **2011-12 Division III Championships Committee actions.** The committee reviewed the actions and information items from the 2011-12 championships committee meetings.

3. **Championships Committee requested feedback.**

   a. Regional alignment. The committee recommends moving Allegheny College from the East region to the Great Lakes region. Allegheny is a member of the North Coast Athletic conference and the other six members of that conference are in the Great Lakes region. The committee also recommends moving Huntingdon College from the Great Lakes region to the East region. Huntingdon is a member of the Great South Athletic Conference and the other two members of that conference are in the East region.

   b. The committee reviewed the information relative to Bylaw 20 and whether there could be an individual student-athlete that could compete in a minimum number of contests while the team does not meet the minimum requirement. The committee felt this could occur and probably has occurred in the past. The committee felt strongly that in the sport of golf, this should be allowed, especially since we are trying to grow the sport of women's golf and increase sponsorship. The committee also felt that this allows for the best players to be at the championships, even though a student-athlete's team may fall short in the number of players and contests during the regular season.

4. **Review of the 2012 Championship.** The committee reviewed all elements surrounding the championships.

   a. The committee reviewed and discussed the surveys of the 2012 championships and made note of areas where there were issues.

   b. The committee reviewed the schedule of events and recommend adjusting tee times to 7:30 a.m. It was also discussed that the tee times need to be adjusted to list the lowest rank/score teeing off first.

   c. The committee would like to continue to use enhancement fund for the student-athlete social and entertainment. The committee recommends that food be served first at the social followed by the entertainment.

d. The committee felt the Special Olympics clinic needs improvement and will work closely with the host in the future to improve the organization of the clinic.

5. **2014 and 2015 Bid Process.** The committee discussed the timeline for the bid process.

6. **2013 Championship.** The committee discussed several items related to the 2013 joint championships, including signage, banquet and leader boards.

7. **Regional Rankings.** The committee discussed the implementation of the regional rankings this past year and all agreed it was beneficial to publish the rankings. The committee will continue with a fall ranking and two spring rankings.

8. **Rules.** The committee discussed allowing coaches in the bunkers and on the greens and determined it did not impact the pace of play. The committee recommended that include language be included to allow coaches in the bunkers and on the greens on the hard card.

9. **Selection Criteria and Process.** The committee reviewed the selection criteria for the championships. It was noted that the criteria will change slightly in 2013-14 with the primary criteria being contests versus all Division III schools and the secondary criteria being those contests versus Division I, II NAIA, etc. The committee discussed how to track and ensure institutions are meeting the in-region requirement.

   The committee also reviewed the selection process and selection forms.

10. **Golfstat.** The committee reviewed the role of Golfstat during the year, for selections and at the championships and had no issues.

11. **Head Rules Official.** The committee recommends Henry (Pep) McPhillips be the head rules official for the 2013 championships.

12. **Sport Sponsorship.** The committee reviewed the 2011-12 sport sponsorship reports. Due to increased sport sponsorship, the field will be increased from 19 teams to 21 teams for the 2013 championships. The number of individuals selected will remain at six. Sport sponsorship has increased from 130 institutions in 2011 meeting the reduced standard of four participants for the 2012 championships, to 145 institutions in 2012 meeting the reduced standard of four participants for the 2013 championships, thus increasing the field from 19 teams to 21 teams.

13. **2013 Automatic Qualifiers and Anticipated Pool Allocations.** The committee reviewed and discussed the 2012-13 automatic qualifier applications and the anticipated pool allocations. Projected pool numbers for 2013 are Pool A – 14, Pool B – 4 and Pool C – 3.

14. Committee Calendar. The committee reviewed the committee calendar and made necessary updates.

15. Committee and Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Rosters. The committee reviewed the national and regional advisory committee terms that will expire in 2012.

16. Review of Manuals. The committee reviewed the 2012 pre-championships manual, host operations manual and the participant manual and made revisions as necessary.

17. Future Meeting Dates. The committee determined that the meeting dates for the 2013 annual meeting will be June 25-27 in Indianapolis.

18. Outgoing Committee Member. The committee thanked Ms. Nause for her service to the committee.

Committee Chair: Martha Nause, Macalester College
Staff Liaison(s): Nancy O'Hara; Championships and Alliances

July 10-12, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Melanee Atkinson, College of Mount St. Joseph	
Sean Dove, Washington and Jefferson College	
Darla Kirby, University of Mary Hardin-Baylor	
Martha Nause, Macalester College	
Joe Worlund, Washington University in St. Louis	
Other Participant: Nancy O'Hara, NCAA.	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE JUNE 6-8, 2012 MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Joint Championship.

(1) Recommendation. That the Division III men's ice hockey championship be held in conjunction with the Frozen Four.

(2) Effective Date. 2013-14 academic year.

(3) Rationale. Currently, the Division III championship features four teams playing two games Friday and the championship game Saturday the third full weekend in March. The new format will provide for two teams playing the championship game Friday after the first Sunday in April.

The committee believes this will be a positive move for the sport of men's ice hockey and, in particular, for the Division III Ice Hockey Championship. It is anticipated to increase the viewing audience for both divisions as well as create more awareness for the sport.

The proposed Division III tournament format would be similar to Division III men's lacrosse. The semifinal games would be played at two campus sites two weeks before the championship game.

The following is the proposed championship week schedule for Division III:

- Wednesday afternoon
  - Teams arrive
- Thursday
  - Practice at off-site practice facility
  - Administrative meeting
  - Banquet
  - Teams attend the Division I semifinal games
- Friday
  - Morning practice or skate-around at competition venue
  - Championship game - evening

- Saturday
  - Depart and or Teams attend the Division I championship game

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. Please refer to estimated budget impact in Action Item 2b.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. The committee believes there will be a positive impact on student-athletes. There would be greater exposure for Division III men's ice hockey and conducting the semifinals on campus would provide an exciting atmosphere and allow fans to see teams play through the semifinals. In addition, the two finalists would get the experience of being exposed to a different division, competing in an environment with increased attendance and benefiting from additional promotional/marketing resources for the event. The joint championship would affect the current format (refer to Action Item 2b), but would minimize missed class time, eliminate the midweek game and provide more recuperation time between rounds.

b. Date Formula Change.

(1) Recommendation. That the championship date formula be changed to accommodate the recommendation submitted in Action Item 2a. Specifically, modify the date formula so that:

- Selections are held on the Monday before the first round.
- First-round games are held on the Saturday before the quarterfinals.
- Quarterfinals are held on the Saturday before the semifinals.
- Semifinals are held on the Saturday two weeks before the championship.
- The final is held on the Friday after the first Sunday in April.

(2) Effective Date. 2013-14 academic year.

(3) Rationale. The current date formula is as follows:

- Selections are held on the Sunday before the first round.
- The three first-round games are held the Wednesday before the quarterfinals.
- Quarterfinals are held on the Saturday before the semifinals and final.
- The semifinals and final are held on the third full weekend in March (including Friday).

The dates for the 2014 championship are:

- Selections – Sunday, March 9
- First Round – Wednesday, March 12
- Quarterfinals – Saturday, March 15

- Championship – Friday-Saturday, March 21-22

In order to align with the Division I, the proposed date formula would minimize the weeks between rounds.

With support of this recommendation, the dates for the 2014 championship would be:

- Selections – Monday, March 10
- First Round – Saturday, March 15
- Quarterfinals – Saturday, March 22
- Semifinals – Saturday, March 29
- Championship – Friday, April 11

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. The proposed format would split the championship rounds into three sites (two on-campus semifinals and one championship) during two separate weekends. This may result in a budget impact of one additional day of per diem for two teams; however, it may also reduce travel costs because the number of team traveling to the final site is reduced. In addition, the championship budget would be minimized by having only two teams attending the championship versus four. The estimated budget impact will be provided by NCAA Administrative Services staff.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. The date formula change would minimize missed class time by moving the first-round games from Wednesday to Saturday. In addition, the change allows for more recuperation between rounds and games. While the tournament will extend in length from two full weeks to five weeks, only four teams are impacted by the extension (i.e., two non-advancing semifinalist teams will be extended by one week and two championship teams will be extended by three weeks).

c. Men's Ice Hockey Automatic Qualification.

(1) Recommendation. That the following eight conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 championship: ECAC DIII Men's East Hockey League; ECAC DIII Northeast Hockey League; Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference; Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; Northern Collegiate Hockey Association; and State University of New York Athletic Conference.

Projected Pool Allocations
Pool A – 8
Pool B – 0

Pool C – 3

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The eight conferences meet the requirements set forth in NCAA Bylaw 31.3.2 and have completed the automatic-qualification declaration form. Please note that pool allocations may adjust if 2012-13 sponsorship numbers change.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Meeting Overview.** Mr. Delventhal opened the meeting, thanked the committee members for their service and reviewed the agenda.

2. **Review NCAA Championships and Alliances Guiding and Operating Principles.** The committee reviewed the NCAA Championships and Alliances guiding and operating principles.

3. **2011 Annual Meeting Minutes.** The committee approved the 2011 annual meeting minutes as submitted.

4. **Review of the 2012 Championship.** The committee reviewed the preliminary rounds and championship site evaluations. The committee noted areas of improvement for future hosting consideration, including attention to appropriate visiting team locker rooms (i.e., controlling access to locker rooms in proximity to areas for the public).

5. **Review of American Hockey Coaches Association Meeting**. The committee reviewed the supplement from the coaches association. Mr. Delventhal provided a general report of the discussion that took place during the meeting.

6. **Championship Format.** The committee has expressed interest in expanding the bracket, noting that an 11-team bracket creates imbalance. The committee will review possible options for expansion over the summer and expects to come forward with a proposal in the near future. In addition, the committee reviewed the selection criteria. Staff informed the committee that in 2013-14, the primary criteria would be merged so that all Division III competition is reflected in the primary criteria. The secondary criteria will reflect any non-Division III opponent.

7. **2013 Championship.** The committee provided feedback for the 2013 championship.

a. The committee would like for the corner seats to be roped off, so team fans are closer to the teams and the center of the rink.

b. In addition, for the banquet, the committee would like for the two teams playing the first game to be released to the buffet lines first. While there is usually a minimal gap between teams, the committee noted that there have been problems in the past.

c. The committee believed the training center should be used again for team lodging.

8. Sport Sponsorship. The committee reviewed the sponsorship numbers from the 2011-12 academic year. The committee noted that one institution added men's ice hockey. In addition, in order for the bracket to expand to a 12-team bracket, six institutions would need to add the sport based on the 1:6.5 ratio.

9. Committee Calendar. The committee reviewed the 2012-13 calendar. The committee agreed to move the national committee ranking calls to noon Eastern time to give Regional Advisory Committee members more time to submit weekly ballots.

10. Committee and Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) Rosters. The committee reviewed the national and regional advisory committee terms that will expire in 2012.

11. Review of Manuals. The committee reviewed the 2012 pre-championships manual, host operations manual and the participant manual and made revisions as necessary.

12. Chair Appointment. The committee discussed the chair replacement for Mr. Deventhal and determined to make a recommendation once the full committee composition is established for the 2012-13 academic year.

13. Other Business. The committee discussed concerns with the drug testing process, but took no action.

Committee Chair: Bruce Delventhal, Plattsburgh State University of New York
Staff Liaison(s): Sharon Cessna; Championships and Alliances

June 6-8, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Tim Bald, St. Norbert College	
Bruce Delventhal, Plattsburgh State University of New York	
Mike McShane, Norwich University	

Brett Petersen, Gustavus Adolphus College	
Other Participants: Sharon Cessna, NCAA Michelle Forkner, NCAA John Williams, NCAA.	

REPORT OF THE DIVISION III WOMEN'S ICE HOCKEY COMMITTEE JUNE 6-8, 2012 MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **Automatic Qualification.**

a. Recommendation. That the following five conferences be approved for automatic qualification to the 2013 NCAA Division III Women's Ice Hockey Championship: ECAC DIII Women's East Hockey League; ECAC DIII Women's West Hockey League; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; and the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association.

Anticipated Pool Allocations
Pool A - 5
Pool B - 0
Pool C - 3

b. Effective Date. Immediate.

c. Rationale. Each conference meets the requirements of Bylaw 31.3.2 and has completed the automatic-qualification declaration form.

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Meeting Schedule and Agenda. Steve Nelson, committee chair, welcomed the committee members and reviewed the meeting schedule and agenda.

2. National and Regional Advisory Committee Rosters. The committee reviewed the committee rosters and noted vacancies for 2012-13.

3. Committee Chair and Vice Chair. Mr. Nelson will continue as chair until his term on the committee expires September 1, 2013. The committee elected Renee Hellert as the vice

chair of the committee, and also confirmed that Brad Marshall would serve as the chair of the West region and Jodi McKenna would serve as the chair of the East region in 2012-13.

4. **2011 Annual Meeting Minutes.** The committee approved the 2011 annual meeting minutes as submitted.

5. **NCAA Division III Championships Committee Actions.** The committee reviewed actions taken by the NCAA Division III Championships Committee in 2011-12 relevant to the work of the women's ice hockey committee.

6. **Review of 2012 Championship.** The committee reviewed site evaluation forms for the four first-round sites and the finals site. The committee recommended several improvements for the championship:

   a. Remove the VHS format as a permissible format in the videotape exchange guidelines.

   b. Provide specific guidance to hosts regarding the permissible format for rosters and programs distributed on site for championships identified to receive digital programs.

   c. Make ticket prices consistent for first-round games for the Division III men's and women's ice hockey championships, given that some institutions host both men's and women's first-round games.

   d. Develop a protocol for video replay and add it to the host operations manual.

   e. Confirm that the conference call for teams advancing to the finals site does not conflict with the conference call for the teams in the men's championship.

7. **Plan for 2013 Championship.** The committee reviewed the championship date formula and future dates of competition and revised the committee timeline. The committee has been approved by the Division III Championships Committee to conduct the 2013 championship at a predetermined site.

   a. Joint championship. The committee discussed scheduling options for a possible joint championship with the national collegiate women's ice hockey championship. The joint championship discussion began during the 2011 annual meetings of the ice hockey committees and initially identified the 2014 championship as the first opportunity for a joint championship, given that a site (Minneapolis) had already been confirmed for the national collegiate women's ice hockey championship for 2013. The two women's ice hockey committee met and expressed interest in conducting a joint championship in 2013 if the host (University of Minnesota) and facility staff is

supportive. Upon further investigation, based on the date formulas for the two women's ice hockey championships, the championships will be held on the same weekend in 2014 but the national collegiate championship will be one week later than the Division III championship in 2013. As a result, a bid process will be conducted to confirm a predetermined site for the 2013 Division III championship.

b. Selection of officials. The committee met with Tom DiFusco, NCAA national coordinator of women's ice hockey officiating, and Jack Doherty, supervisor of officials. The committee formalized the guidelines and timeline to be used for selection of officials for the Division III women's ice hockey championship.

8. Automatic Qualification. The committee reviewed the automatic qualification applications for 2012-13. The committee noted that effective 2014-15, members of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Association (WIAC) will leave the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association and compete solely as WIAC members.

9. Sports Sponsorship and Pool Allocations. The committee reviewed the 2012 pool document and noted that the women's ice hockey program for the Rochester Institute of Technology is reclassifying to Division I, effective 2012-13. Ms. Gentry noted that the championship bracket will remain at eight teams for the 2013 championship, but based on the 1:6.5 access ratio for Division III team sports, another Division III institution will need to add women's ice hockey in 2012-13 to maintain an eight-team bracket for the 2014 championship.

10. Playing Rules. The committee met jointly with the Division I and Division III men's ice hockey committees, the national collegiate women's ice hockey committee, and the men's and women's ice hockey rules committee to review potential rule changes for 2012-14.

11. Committee Report for American Hockey Coaches Association Convention. The committee reviewed the report presented by staff to the Division III coaches during the AHCA Convention in February 2012.

12. Mailings. The committee reviewed the information included for women's ice hockey in the Championships monthly newsletters.

13. Forms. The committee reviewed the facility evaluation form and made revisions as appropriate.

14. Manuals. The committee reviewed the women's ice hockey pre-championship manual, host operations manual, participant manual and committee operations manual and made revisions as appropriate.

15. 2013 Annual Meeting. The committee identified Tuesday, June 4-Thursday, June 6 as the dates for the 2013 annual meeting.

Committee Chair: Steve Nelson, University of Wisconsin, Superior
Staff Liaison: Jan Gentry, Championships and Alliances

June 6-8, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Renee Hellert, New England College	Michael Letzseisen (formerly of Eastern College Athletic Association)
Brad Marshall, St. Catherine University	
Jodi McKenna, Wesleyan University (Connecticut)	
Steve Nelson, University of Wisconsin Superior	
Other Participants Tom DiFusco, NCAA national coordinator of women's ice hockey officiating Jack Doherty, NCAA supervisor of officials Jan Gentry, NCAA	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE MAY 28, 2012 MEETING

***KEY ITEMS*.**

1. **Change of Tournament Format.** The NCAA Division III Men's Lacrosse Committee discussed and evaluated a potential change in tournament format to eliminate the mid-week game and then provide for competition Saturday and Sunday.

2. **Region Format.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee concluded the current two region model should continue for the sport.

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. **Legislative Items.**

   - **None.**

2. **Nonlegislative Items.**

   a. **Approval of Automatic Qualifying Conferences.**

      (1) Recommendation. That the following 19 conferences be afforded automatic-qualifying status to the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Lacrosse Championship: Capital Athletic Conference, Centennial Conference, Colonial States Athletic Conference, Commonwealth Conference , Commonwealth Coast Conference, Empire 8 Athletic Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Landmark Conference, Liberty League, Little East Conference, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association , Midwest Lacrosse Conference, New England Small College Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference, North Coast Athletic Conference, Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Pilgrim League, Skyline Conference, and State University of New York Athletic Conference.

      (2) Effective Date. Immediate.

      (3) Rationale. The conferences listed meet the requirements of the automatic-qualifying bylaw.

      (4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

      (5) Student-Athlete Impact. The provision ensures participation in the 2013 championship by the 19 conferences.

   b. **Appointment of Chair.**

(1) Recommendation. That Steve Koudelka of Lynchburg College be named chairperson of the Men's Lacrosse Committee for the 2012-13 academic year.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Mr. Koudelka, the current and long-serving head coach at Lynchburg, has offered significant contributions to the Men's Lacrosse Committee in the form of leadership and diplomacy. Having served the Men's Lacrosse Committee for the past three years, his experience on the field combined with his duties as an assistant athletics director provides the right balance in his work to lead the regional advisory committees and serve as an ambassador to the sport and NCAA. Mr. Koudelka regularly offers powerful insights to our discussions while being grounded in reality. He is a well-spoken, hard working individual who will champion the initiatives of the Association while serving the membership to do what is best and right for the student-athletes.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Tournament format.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee discussed a potential championship format change in an attempt to eliminate the mid-week game. In doing so, games would then be contested Saturday and Sunday on consecutive weekends. Mr. Jarnecke provided the financial analysis showing a very modest increase in travel expense.

The Men's Lacrosse Committee agreed to continue the discussion informally with their peers and then present the topic in greater detail with all the coaches during the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association meetings in December.

2. **2012 Championship Review.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee reviewed the 2012 championship citing the highlights and some challenges throughout the event.

The Men's Lacrosse Committee continues to stress the importance of an increase in the bench size for participating institutions. While the increase this year was of tremendous benefit, institutions were still forced to ask some student-athletes to sit in the stands rather than be with their teams on the sidelines. The Men's Lacrosse Committee will continue to work to increase the number of student-athletes in the bench personnel limits.

3. **2013 Championship Planning.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee began to plan for the 2013 championship hoping game times would again be noon and 3 p.m. or 1 and 4 p.m. with Division III playing in the first contest.

4. **Selection Criteria.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee discussed a number of factors but concluded no changes will be made to the selection criteria.

5. **Region Format.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee discussed current region alignment and agreed that the current two-region model consisting of a North and South region should remain intact going forward for men's lacrosse. Specifically, the Men's Lacrosse Committee noted that this provides for the most flexibility in scheduling, the most opportunity for travel within a region and the most integrity in ranking teams from which to consider for selection to the national championship. The Men's Lacrosse Committee is comfortable with the composition of the national committee remaining at four individuals. Lastly, the Men's Lacrosse Committee will rank 15 percent of the institutions sponsoring the sport within each region.

6. **2013 Annual Meeting.** The agenda item was tabled until after the joint meeting.

7. **Joint Meeting.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee will participate in a teleconference with the Divisions I and II Men's Lacrosse Committees to conduct the joint session of the annual meeting, which will take place Wednesday, July 25.

8. **Term Extension.** The Men's Lacrosse Committee seeks to extend the term of Stewart Moan of Susquehanna University and co-chair of the South region by one year to create a stagger in the Men's Lacrosse Committee rotation. Currently, both Mr. Koudelka and Mr. Moan would rotate off at the same time, which is August 31, 2013, and the Men's Lacrosse Committee believes value exists in creating the natural stagger.

Committee Chair: Fran Shields, Connecticut College, NESCAC
Staff Liaison(s): Jeff Jarnecke, NCAA Championships and Alliances

May 28, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	Absentees
Steve Koudelka, Lynchburg College	none
Stewart Moan, Susquehanna University	
Rob Randall, Nazareth College	
Fran Shields, Connecticut College	
Other Participants Leslie Cagle, NCAA; Jeff Jarnecke, NCAA	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISIONS II AND III WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEES JUNE 12-13, 2012 MEETING

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Approval of the 2011 Minutes.** The NCAA Divisions II and III Women's Lacrosse Committees approved the 2011 joint annual meeting minutes as was distributed.

2. **2012 Championship Review.** The Women's Lacrosse Committees reviewed the NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Championship to provide feedback to Montclair State University as it prepares to host the joint championships in 2013. Some specific topics addressed include logistics and shipment management, security (i.e., establish one entrance for ticketed spectators), and the area set-up for merchandise sales.

3. **2013 Championships.** The Women's Lacrosse Committees discussed the 2013 joint championships. Staff will host a call for Montclair State to provide recommendations and feedback.

   a. Schedule of Events. The Women's Lacrosse Committees agreed to provide Montclair State with an updated schedule of events.

      - The Women's Lacrosse Committees were concerned about starting the games on time. In order to alleviate this concern, the Women's Lacrosse Committees decided that the awards ceremony would begin no later than five minutes after the end of the game. The Women's Lacrosse Committees will emphasize this point at the administrative meeting.

   b. Scoreboard. The Women's Lacrosse Committees felt that there should be a contingency plan in-place in case the scoreboard malfunctions. The Women's Lacrosse Committees felt that an electrician should be on-call (within five minutes of the venue). In addition, the host should borrow or rent a back-up portable scoreboard.

   c. Directional Signage. It was noted that the venue could benefit from additional directional signage. The Women's Lacrosse Committees will request that the host add additional directional signage inside of the field (specifically near the concessions and merchandise tent). In addition, directional signage should be placed through the athletic center for teams.

Committee Chair: *Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College (Division III)*
Michelle Gober, Kutztown University of Pennsylvania (Division II)
Staff Liaison(s): *Michelle Forkner; Championships and Alliances*

June 12-13, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Brett Allen, Bates College	
Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College	
Michelle Gober, Kutztown University	
Susan Hoffman, College at Brockport, State University of New York	
Kevin Huckel, Holy Family University	
Wynne Lobel, Pacific University (Oregon)	
Brooke O'Brien, Washington and Lee University	
Cecil Pilson, Mercyhurst University	
April Pollock, American International College	
Other Participants: Abby Bisesi, NCAA Michelle Forkner, NCAA.	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE MAY 15, 2012 TELECONFERENCE

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Championship Misconduct. During the May 15 teleconference, the NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee discussed an incident regarding a comment posted on a student-athlete's social media page. The student-athlete had posted an obscene comment regarding an upcoming championship opponent on her private account; however, the language was copied by an assistant coach and posted on an unofficial and public team account.

The Women's Lacrosse Committee agreed that the language constituted misconduct as defined in NCAA Bylaw 31.02.3. The Women's Lacrosse Committee decided to issue a private reprimand and assess a financial penalty of one day of per diem to the student-athlete, and issue a private reprimand and a financial penalty of two days of per diem to the assistant coach.

Committee Chair: Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College
Staff Liaison: Michelle Forkner; Championships and Alliances

May 15, 2012 Teleconference	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Brett Allen, Bates College	
Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College	
Susan Hoffman, College at Brockport, State University of New York	
Wynne Lobel, Pacific University (Oregon)	
Brooke O'Brien, Washington and Lee University	
Other Participants: Michelle Forkner, NCAA.	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE JUNE 12-14, 2012 MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Conference Automatic Qualification.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 21 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Championship: Capital Athletic Conference; Centennial Conference; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Liberty League; Little East Conference; Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Skyline Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; The Commonwealth Coast Conference; and USA South Athletic Conference.

Projected Pool Allocations
Pool A – 21
Pool B – 5
Pool C – 6

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The 21 conferences meet the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 31.3.2 and have completed the automatic-qualification declaration form. Please note that pool allocations may adjust if 2012-13 sponsorship numbers change. In addition, the Freedom Conference is in its second year of the required three-year waiting period as required by NCAA Bylaw 31.3.2.1.1. It will be eligible for an automatic qualifier in 2014-15.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Committee Chair Appointment.

(1) Recommendation. That Susan Hoffman, associate director of athletics and

senior woman administrator at the College of Brockport, State University of New York be appointed chair of the NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee for the 2012-13 academic year.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Ms. Hoffman has been the associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at the College of Brockport since 1995. For the past three years, she has served on the Women's Lacrosse Committee and has been a valuable and tremendous asset. Furthermore, she previously served on the Division III Women's Soccer Committee and chaired the Women's Softball Committee for two years.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Approval of the 2011 Minutes. The Women's Lacrosse Committee approved the minutes as distributed.

2. Review of Hosts from the Preliminary Rounds. The Women's Lacrosse Committee reviewed the preliminary-round site evaluations from the 2012 championship. The Women's Lacrosse Committee felt it was important to provide feedback to the preliminary-round hosts. It was decided that staff would send out one email to all hosts where there were no major concerns and individual e-mails to those institutions indicating areas where improvement is needed. Staff would also provide a teleconference in case hosts had any follow-up questions.

3. Regional Champion Awards. After last year's annual meeting, the Women's Lacrosse Committee put forward a request to the NCAA Division III Championships Committee regarding adding regional champion awards. The Championships Committee tabled the request because an internal NCAA staff taskforce would be looking into the request. While the internal team has not yet provided any feedback, Staff would follow-up with the internal team to see if a resolution was in-sight.

4. Officials. The Women's Lacrosse Committee reviewed the responses of the officials evaluations from the preliminary rounds and championship. Overall, it was felt that the officials were of a higher caliber than in years past. In addition, it was felt that the use of Arbiter greatly enhanced the assigning of officials.

a. Championship Officials. The Women's Lacrosse Committee felt that the championship officials were outstanding and commended the national assignor for a

great job. For the 2013 championship, the Women's Lacrosse Committee would like to have the championship assignments at least one-week before the championship instead of several days before the championship. In addition, the Women's Lacrosse Committee would also like to have the championship game officials tentatively assigned to positions and have the national assignor assign the positions following the semifinal games. This will help ensure the best officials are assigned to the championship game.

5. **National Anthem Format.** The Women's Lacrosse Committee discussed adding a National Anthem format to the pregame protocol. Currently, the NCAA women's lacrosse rules book does not prescribe a format for the National Anthem, but the Women's Lacrosse Committee felt it was important to address it. The following language will be added to the designated manuals and agendas:

   - The National Anthem will be played once per session (one session is equal to all games played on the same day at the same site).

   - When the public-address announcer indicates the playing of the national anthem, players shall face the flag. Players shall remain stationary, quiet (unless singing along with the National Anthem) and shall be respectful through completion of the National Anthem.

6. **Misconduct Statement.** Beginning in 2013, the Women's Lacrosse Committee has requested that all NCAA site representatives read the misconduct statement to each participating team on arrival. The Women's Lacrosse Committee felt that while the misconduct statement is read to coaches and administrators during the administrative meeting, the participating student-athletes may not be hearing the policy. Therefore, the Women's Lacrosse Committee felt that it would be beneficial for the site representatives to read the statement to the teams when they arrive on campus (either on the bus or before the start of practice). The new process will be relayed to the participating teams during the participating team pod calls.

7. **Joint Championship with Division I.** During the November 2011 Intercollegiate Women's Lacrosse Coaches Association convention, the Division III women's lacrosse coaches provided the Women's Lacrosse Committee with a proposal to join championships with Division I women's lacrosse. At the annual meeting, the Women's Lacrosse Committee reviewed and modified the proposal and has sent it to the proposal to the NCAA Division I Women's Lacrosse Committee.

   If agreed to by the Division I Women's Lacrosse Committee, a formal request will be sent to the Division I Championship/Sports Management Cabinet and the Division III Championships Committee in the next year with a tentative implementation date of the 2014-2015 academic year.

Committee Chair: *Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College*
Staff Liaison: *Michelle Forkner; Championships and Alliances*

June 12-14, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Brett Allen, Bates College	
Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College	
Susan Hoffman, College at Brockport, State University of New York	
Wynne Lobel, Pacific University (Oregon)	
Brooke O'Brien, Washington and Lee University	
Other Participants: Abby Bisesi, NCAA Michelle Forkner, NCAA.	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S LACROSSE COMMITTEE
AUGUST 1, 2012 TELECONFERENCE

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **Women's Lacrosse Regional Alignment.**

a. Recommendation. That the women's lacrosse regional alignment be modified for sponsorship expansion. The sport would remain at five regions; however, the make-up of the regions would change to reflect sports like soccer.

b. Effective Date. 2013-14 academic year.

c. Rationale. The NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee looked at the following three possible scenarios: (1) expanding to six regions; (2) reducing to four regions; (3) remaining five regions. The Women's Lacrosse Committee felt that the current and projected sponsorship numbers did not merit expanding because the regions would have been imbalanced. In addition, the Women's Lacrosse Committee felt that the four-region model would create very large regions and would likely necessitate a regional alignment expansion in the next few years. Therefore, the Women's Lacrosse Committee felt that remaining at five regions would be the best option.

The Women's Lacrosse Committee ultimately decided to modify the current alignment to allow for projected growth (refer to Attachment A), the expansion being largely in the Midwest and West regions of the country. Additionally, the Women's Lacrosse Committee renamed the regions to align with other Division III sports; follwoing is a chart delineating the changes.

Current Five Region Model	**Proposed Five Region Model**
Metro	Middle-Atlantic
New York	East
New England	New England
South Atlantic	Mid-South
West	West

Finally, the Women's Lacrosse Committee noted that the new regional alignment would be compatible with the standardization of teams ranked in each region. The new alignment adds balance to the regions and allows for the proper number of teams to be ranked (i.e., 15 percent of each region).

d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.

e. Student-Athlete Impact. None.

Committee Chair: *Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College*
Staff Liaison(s): *Michelle Forkner, Championships and Alliances.*

August 1, 2012 Teleconference	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Brett Allen, Bates College	
Susan Fumagalli, Gettysburg College	
Susan Hoffman, College at Brockport, State University of New York	
Wynne Lobel, Pacific University (Oregon)	
Brooke O'Brien, Washington and Lee University	
Other Participants: Michelle Forkner, NCAA.	

2013-14 Division III Women's Lacrosse Regional Map

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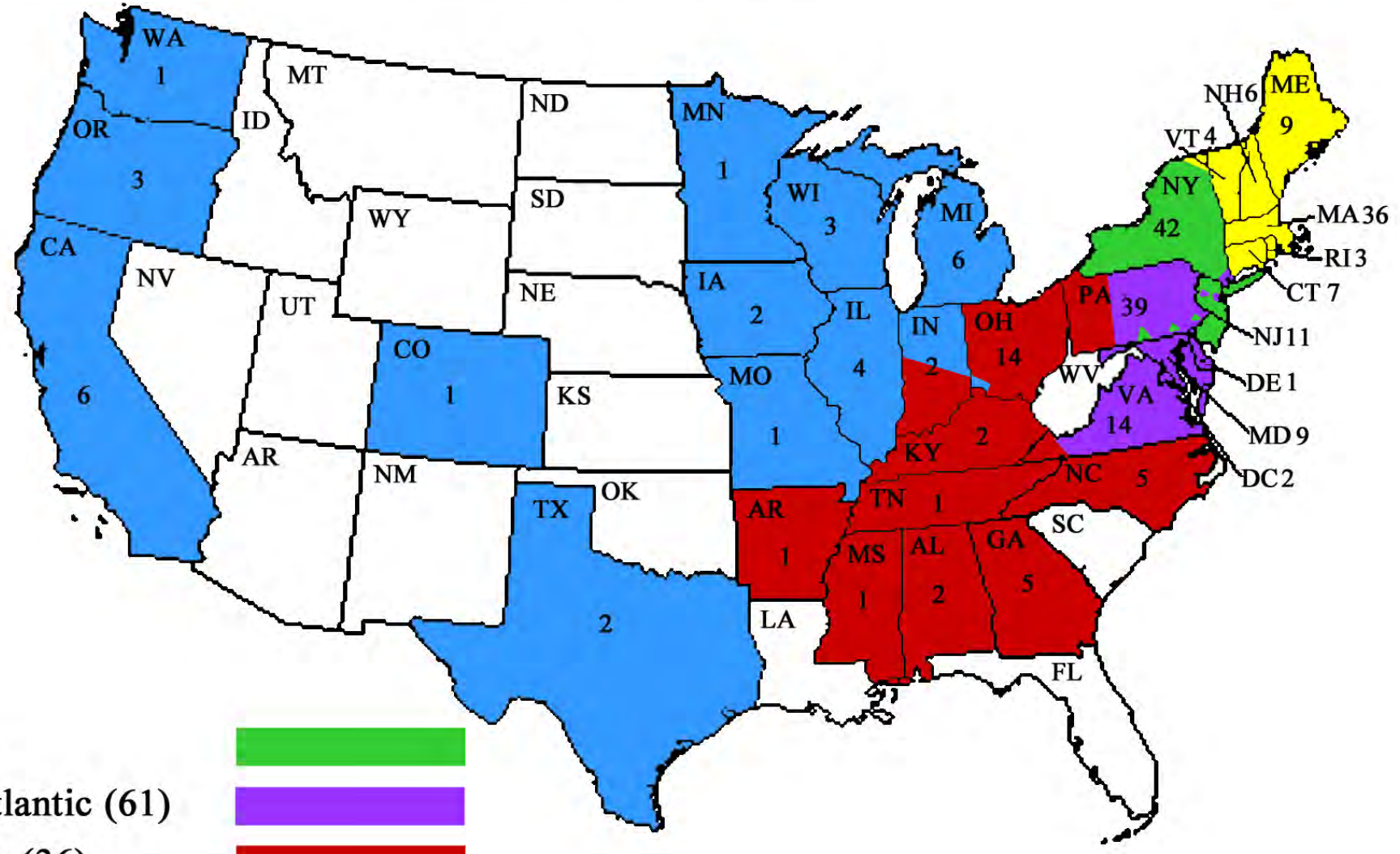

East (51)

Middle Atlantic (61)

Mid-South (36)

New England (66)

West (32)

Institution	Conference	City	State	Old Region
	EAST REGION (51 INSTITUTIONS)			
Alfred University	Empire 8	Alfred	NY	New York
Elmira College	Empire 8	Elmira	NY	New York
Hartwick College	Empire 8	Oneonta	NY	New York
Ithaca College	Empire 8	Ithaca	NY	New York
Nazareth College	Empire 8	Rochester	NY	New York
St. John Fisher College	Empire 8	Rochester	NY	New York
Stevens Institute of Technology	Empire 8	Hoboken	NJ	New York
Utica College	Empire 8	Utica	NY	New York
Houghton College	Independent	Houghton	NY	New York
The College of New Jersey	Independent	Ewing	NJ	Metro
Rowan University	Independent	Glassboro	NJ	Metro
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Camden	Independent	Camden	NJ	Metro
Bard College	Liberty League	Annadale-on-Hudson	NY	New York
Clarkson University	Liberty League	Potsdam	NY	New York
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Liberty League	Troy	NY	New York
Rochester Institute of Technology	Liberty League	Rochester	NY	New York
Skidmore College	Liberty League	Saratoga Springs	NY	New York
St. Lawrence University	Liberty League	Canton	NY	New York
Union College (New York)	Liberty League	Schenectady	NY	New York
University of Rochester	Liberty League	Rochester	NY	New York
Vassar College	Liberty League	Poughkeepsie	NY	New York
William Smith College	Liberty League	Geneva	NY	New York
Cazenovia College	North East Athletic Conference	Cazenovia	NY	New York
State University of New York Institute of Technology	North East Athletic Conference	Utica	NY	New York
Keuka College	North East Athletic Conference	Keuka Park	NY	New York
Morrisville State College	North East Athletic Conference	Morrisville	NY	New York
Wells College	North East Athletic Conference	Aurora	NY	New York
Medaille College	North East Athletic Conference	Buffalo	NY	New York
Lancaster Bible College	North East Athletic Conference	Lancaster	PA	New York
Penn State University, Abington	North East Athletic Conference	Abington	PA	New York
College of Saint Elizabeth	North East Athletic Conference	Morristown	NJ	New York
Wilson College	North East Athletic Conference	Chambersburg	PA	New York
Kean University	Skyline Conference	Union	NJ	Metro
State University of New York at Farmingdale	Skyline Conference	Farmingdale	NY	Metro
Montclair State University	Skyline Conference	Upper Montclair	NJ	Metro
Ramapo College	Skyline Conference	Mahway	NJ	Metro
State University of New York Maritime College	Skyline Conference	Throggs Neck	NY	Metro
College of Mount St. Vincent	Skyline Conference	Riverdale	NY	Metro
Mount Saint Mary College (New York)	Skyline Conference	Newburgh	NY	Metro
State University of New York at Old Westbury	Skyline Conference	Old Westbury	NY	Metro
St. Joseph's College (Long Island)	Skyline Conference	Patchogue	NY	Metro
The Sage Colleges	Skyline Conference	Troy	NY	Metro
College at Brockport, State University of New York	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Brockport	NY	New York
Buffalo State College	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Buffalo	NY	New York
State University of New York at Cortland	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Cortland	NY	New York
State University College at Fredonia	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Fredonia	NY	New York
State University of New York at Geneseo	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Geneseo	NY	New York
State University College at Oneonta	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Oneonta	NY	New York
State University of New York at Oswego	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Oswego	NY	New York
State University College at New Paltz	State University of New York Athletic Conference	New Paltz	NY	New York
State University of New York at Potsdam	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Potsdam	NY	New York

MIDDLE ATLANTIC REGION (61 INSTITUTIONS)

Christopher Newport University	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Newport News	VA	South Atlantic
Frostburg State University	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Frostburg	MD	South Atlantic

University of Mary Washington	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Fredericksburg	VA	South Atlantic
Marymount University (Virginia)	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Arlington	VA	South Atlantic
Salisbury University	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Salisbury	MD	South Atlantic
St. Mary's College of Maryland	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	St. Marys City	MD	South Atlantic
Wesley College	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Dover	DE	South Atlantic
York College (Pennsylvania)	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	York	PA	South Atlantic
Brynn Mawr College (Prov. 2015-16) (Spons. 13-14)	Centennial Conference	Bryn Mawr	PA	Metro
Dickinson College	Centennial Conference	Carlisle	PA	Metro
Franklin & Marshall College	Centennial Conference	Lancaster	PA	Metro
Gettysburg College	Centennial Conference	Gettysburg	PA	Metro
Haverford College	Centennial Conference	Haverford	PA	Metro
McDaniel College	Centennial Conference	Westminister	MD	Metro
Muhlenberg College	Centennial Conference	Allentown	PA	Metro
Swarthmore College	Centennial Conference	Swarthmore	PA	Metro
Ursinus College	Centennial Conference	Collegeville	PA	Metro
Washington College (Maryland)	Centennial Conference	Chestertown	MD	Metro
Cabrini College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Radnor	PA	Metro
Cedar Crest College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Allentown	PA	Metro
Centenary College (New Jersey)	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Hackettstown	NJ	Metro
Gwynedd-Mercy College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Gwynedd Valley	PA	Metro
Immaculata University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Immaculata	PA	Metro
Marywood University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Scranton	PA	Metro
Neumann University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Aston	PA	Metro
Notre Dame of Maryland University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Baltimore	MD	Metro
Rosemont College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Rosemont	PA	Metro
Albright College	Commonwealth Conference	Reading	PA	Metro
Alvernia University	Commonwealth Conference	Reading	PA	Metro
Elizabethtown College	Commonwealth Conference	Elizaberthtown	PA	Metro
Hood College	Commonwealth Conference	Frederick	MD	Metro
Lebanon Valley College	Commonwealth Conference	Annville	PA	Metro
Lycoming College	Commonwealth Conference	Williamsport	PA	Metro
Messiah College	Commonwealth Conference	Grantham	PA	Metro
Stevenson University	Commonwealth Conference	Stevenson	MD	Metro
Widener University	Commonwealth Conference	Chester	PA	Metro
Arcadia University	Freedom Conference	Glenside	PA	Metro
Eastern University	Freedom Conference	St. Davids	PA	Metro
Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham	Freedom Conference	Madison	NJ	Metro
King's College (Pennsylvania)	Freedom Conference	Wilkes-Barre	PA	Metro
Manhattanville College	Freedom Conference	Purchase	NY	Metro
Misericordia University	Freedom Conference	Dallas	PA	Metro
Wilkes University	Freedom Conference	Wilkes-Barre	PA	Metro
Bryn Athyn College (Spons. 13-14)	Independent	Bryn Athyn	PA	Metro
Trinity College (District of Columbia)	Independent	Washington	DC	South Atlantic
Catholic University	Landmark Conference	Washington	DC	Metro
Goucher College	Landmark Conference	Townson	MD	Metro
Drew University	Landmark Conference	Madison	NJ	Metro
University of Scranton	Landmark Conference	Scranton	PA	Metro
Susquehanna University	Landmark Conference	Selinsgrove	PA	Metro
Bridgewater College (Virginia)	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Bridgewater	VA	South Atlantic
Guilford College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Greensboro	NC	South Atlantic
Hollins University	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Roanoke	VA	South Atlantic
Lynchburg College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Lynchburg	VA	South Atlantic
Randolph College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Lynchburg	VA	South Atlantic
Randolph-Macon College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Ashland	VA	South Atlantic
Roanoke College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Salem	VA	South Atlantic
Shenandoah University	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Winchester	VA	South Atlantic
Sweet Briar College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Sweet Briar	VA	South Atlantic

Virginia Wesleyan College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Norfolk	VA	South Atlantic
Washington and Lee University	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Lexington	VA	South Atlantic

MID-SOUTH REGION (36 INSTITUTIONS)

Baldwin-Wallance College (Spons. 13-14)	Independent	Berea	OH	West
Defiance College (Spons. 13-14)	Independent	Defiance	OH	West
Franscican University	Independent	Steubenville	OH	West
Huntingdon College	Independent	Montgomery	AL	South Atlantic
Otterbein University	Independent	Westerville	OH	West
University of Mount Union	Independent	Alliance	OH	West
Saint Vincent College	Independent	Latrobe	PA	West
Thiel College	Independent	Greenville	PA	Metro
Transylvania University	Independent	Lexington	KY	South Atlantic
Washington and Jefferson College	Independent	Washington	PA	West
Waynesburg University	Independent	Waynesburg	PA	West
Wilmington College of Ohio	Independent	Wilmington	OH	West
Allegheny College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Meadville	PA	West
Denison University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Granville	OH	West
DePauw University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Greencastle	IN	West
Hiram College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Hiram	OH	West
Kenyon College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Gambier	OH	West
Oberlin College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Oberlin	OH	West
Ohio Wesleyan University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Delaware	OH	West
Wittenberg University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Springfield	OH	West
College of Wooster	North Coast Athletic Conference	Wooster	OH	West
Berry College	Southern Athletic Association	Floyd	GA	West
Birmingham-Southern College	Southern Athletic Association	Birmingham	AL	West
Centre College	Southern Athletic Association	Danville	KY	West
Hendrix College (Spons. 13-14)	Southern Athletic Association	Conway	AR	West
Millsaps College	Southern Athletic Association	Jackson	MS	West
Oglethorpe College	Southern Athletic Association	Atlanta	GA	West
University of the South	Southern Athletic Association	Sewanee	TN	West
Agnes Scott College	USA South Athletic Conference	Decatur	GA	South Atlantic
Ferrum College	USA South Athletic Conference	Ferrum	VA	South Atlantic
Greensboro College	USA South Athletic Conference	Greensboro	NC	South Atlantic
La Grange College	USA South Athletic Conference	LaGrange	GA	South Atlantic
Meredith College	USA South Athletic Conference	Raleigh	NC	South Atlantic
Methodist University	USA South Athletic Conference	Fayetteville	NC	South Atlantic
North Carolina Wesleyan College	USA South Athletic Conference	Rocky Mount	NC	South Atlantic
Piedmont College	USA South Athletic Conference	Demorest	GA	South Atlantic

NEW ENGLAND REGION (66 INSTITUTIONS)

Albertus Magnus College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	New Haven	CT	New England
Anna Maria College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Paxton	MA	New England
Emerson College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Boston	MA	New England
Emmanuel College (Massachusetts)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Boston	MA	New England
Lasell College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Newton	MA	New England
Mount Ida College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Newton	MA	New England
Norwich University	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Northfield	VT	New England
Rivier College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Nashua	NH	New England
Saint Joseph's College (Maine)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Standish	ME	New England
Simmons College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Boston	MA	New England
St. Joseph's College (Connecticut)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	West Hartford	CT	New England
Eastern Connecticut State University	Little East Conference	Willimantic	CT	New England
Keene State College	Little East Conference	Keene	NH	New England
Plymouth State University	Little East Conference	Plymouth	NH	New England

University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	Little East Conference	North Dartmouth	MA	New England
Rhode Island College	Little East Conference	Providence	RI	New England
University of Southern Maine	Little East Conference	Gorham	ME	New England
Western Connecticut State University	Little East Conference	Danbury	CT	New England
Bridgewater State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Bridgewater	MA	New England
Fitchburg State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Fitchburg	MA	New England
Framingham State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Framingham	MA	New England
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Buzzards Bay	MA	New England
Salem State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Salem	MA	New England
Westfield State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Westfield	MA	New England
Worcester State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Worcester	MA	New England
Bay Path College	New England Collegiate Conference	Longmeadow	MA	New England
Becker College	New England Collegiate Conference	Leicester	MA	New England
Daniel Webster College	New England Collegiate Conference	Nashua	NH	New England
Elms College	New England Collegiate Conference	Chicopee	MA	New England
Pine Manor College	New England Collegiate Conference	Chestnut Hill	MA	New England
Regis College (Massachusetts)	New England Collegiate Conference	Weston	MA	New England
Wheelock College	New England Collegiate Conference	Boston	MA	New England
Connecticut College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	New London	CT	New England
Trinity College (Connecticut)	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Hartford	CT	New England
Wesleyan University (Connecticut)	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Middletown	CT	New England
Amherst College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Amherst	MA	New England
Tufts University	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Medford	MA	New England
Williams College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Williamstown	MA	New England
Bates College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Lewiston	ME	New England
Bowdoin College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Brunswick	ME	New England
Colby College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Waterville	ME	New England
Hamilton College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Clinton	NY	New England
Middlebury College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Middlebury	VT	New England
Babson College	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	Babson Park	MA	New England
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	Cambridge	MA	New England
Mount Holyoke College	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	South Hadley	MA	New England
Smith College	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	Northampton	MA	New England
Springfield College	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	Springfield	MA	New England
Wellesley College	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	Wellesley	MA	New England
Wheaton College (Massachusetts)	New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference	Norton	MA	New England
Castleton State College	North Atlantic Conference	Castleton	VT	New England
Colby-Sawyer College	North Atlantic Conference	New London	NH	New England
Green Mountain College	North Atlantic Conference	Poultney	VT	New England
Husson University	North Atlantic Conference	Bangor	ME	New England
University of Maine, Farmington	North Atlantic Conference	Farmington	ME	New England
New England College	North Atlantic Conference	Henniker	NH	New England
Thomas College	North Atlantic Conference	Waterville	ME	New England
Curry College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Milton	MA	New England
Endicott College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Beverly	MA	New England
Gordon College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Wenham	MA	New England
Nichols College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Dudley	MA	New England
University of New England	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Biddeford	ME	New England
Roger Williams University	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Bristol	RI	New England
Salve Regina University	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Newport	RI	New England
Wentworth Institute of Technology	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Boston	MA	New England
Western New England University	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Springfield	MA	New England

WEST REGION (32 INSTITUTIONS)

Augsburg College (Spons. 13-14)	Independent	Minneapolis	MN	West
Colorado College	Independent	Colorado Springs	CO	West

University of Dallas	Independent	Dallas	TX	West
University of Dubuque	Independent	Dubuque	IA	West
George Fox University (Spons. 13-14)	Independent	Newberg	OR	West
Linfield College	Independent	McMinnville	OR	West
Loras College	Independent	Dubuque	IA	West
Pacific University (Oregon)	Independent	Forest Grove	OR	West
University of Puget Sound	Independent	Tacoma	WA	West
Southwestern University (Spons. 13-14)	Independent	Georgetown	TX	West
Adrian College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Adrian	MI	West
Albion College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Albion	MI	West
Alma College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Alma	MI	West
Calvin College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Grand Rapis	MI	West
Hope College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Holland	MI	West
Olivet College	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Olivet	MI	West
Trine University	Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association	Angola	IN	West
Augustana College (Illinois)	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Rock Island	IL	West
Aurora University	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Auroa	IL	West
Beloit College	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Beloit	WI	West
Benedictine College	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Lisle	IL	West
Carthage College	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Kenosha	WI	West
College of Mount St. Joseph	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Cincinnati	OH	West
Concordia University (Wisconsin)	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Mequon	WI	West
Fontbonne University	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	St. Louis	MO	West
North Central College	Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference	Naperville	IL	West
Chapman University	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Orange	CA	West
Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Claremont	CA	West
Occidental College	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Los Angeles	CA	West
Pomona-Pitzer Colleges	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Claremont	CA	West
University of Redlands	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Redlands	CA	West
Whittier College	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Whittier	CA	West

246 TOTAL INSTITUTIONS

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III ROWING COMMITTEE
JUNE 19-20, 2012 MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. In-Region Competition.

(1) Recommendation. The committee recommends leaving the in-region scheduling threshold at 50% for the sport of rowing.

(2) Effective Date. 2013-14 academic year.

(3) Rationale. The current threshold of 50% is already a challenge for many teams to meet. Institutions schedule regattas but do not have control over which institutions participate in those regattas.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. The recommendation maintains flexibility for coaches to schedule competition without affecting class time of the student-athletes. Regattas are traditionally held on weekend and many are annual established competitions that institutions have regularly attended.

b. Move Late Season Performance to Primary Selection Criteria.

(1) Recommendation. The committee recommends moving "late season performance" to the primary selection criteria. Late season performance shall be defined as the last two regattas before the selection date.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. This was recommended for the 2011-12 season, but the request was not forwarded to the Championships Committee in time to be effective. The committee feels late season performance is significant indicator of how well a team is performing as the championship approaches.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. Committee Chair.

(1) Recommendation. The committee voted that Sally Scatton of William Smith College serve as chair of the committee, replacing Larry Hiser of Marietta College.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The committee voted Sally Scatton as chair.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

d. Automatic Qualification.

(1) Recommendation. The committee voted that the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) and the Mid-Atlantic Rowing Conference (MARC) be granted automatic qualification for the 2013 Division III Women's Rowing Championship.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The MARC is a new AQ application. The committee discussed how the AQ would be determined if the conference championship did not take place.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. **Approval of the 2011 meeting minutes.** The committee reviewed minutes from the 2011 meeting and voted to approve them.

2. **Reviewed of the 2012 championship**. The committee reviewed the 2012 championship, including the report of the head official, student-athlete evaluations and webcast results.

The committee would like to see several areas improve, including the launch area relative to the student-athlete area, increased security for the student-athlete area, better traffic flow in the boat storage area and better communication across the venue. The committee thought the boat weigh-in process went well. They would like to see a new plan for tent set-up, have formal approval of the banquet speaker and explore feasibility of providing split times at the championship.

3. **Reviewed the selection process**. The committee reviewed a new results reporting portal. NCAA staff reviewed the definitions of "in-region" and other selection criteria. The committee would like to add the definition of "in-region" to their selection criteria when printed in manuals for the sake of clarity.

4. **Region Model.** The committee discussed maintaining the current region model for rowing. The model is based on the Division III principles – conference members are in the same region and regions are balanced and geographically logical.

5. **Head Official.** The committee agreed to have Chris Lang serve as chief official for a third year. Mr. Lang did an outstanding job at the last two championships and the committee felt the consistency of having him serve again would be good for the championship.

6. **Reviewed the sport sponsorship list**.

7. **Reviewed regional representation**. The committee felt the use of regional representation at the championship is still appropriate.

8. **Reviewed the agenda for the joint meeting session with Divisions I and III.**

9. **Reviewed championship manuals and the timeline for next year**. The committee reviewed the manuals associated with the championship and marked updates.

Committee Chair: Larry Hiser, Marietta College
Staff Liaison(s): Rachel Kay, Championships and Alliances

June 19-20, 2012	
Attendees	Absentees
Elese Lebsack, Mills College	none
Sally Scatton, William Smith College	
Tessa Spillane, Wellesley College	
Eric Summers, Hamilton College	

Robert Weber, Franklin & Marshall College	
Other Participants Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliances	

REPORT OF THE DIVISION III SOFTBALL COMMITTEE JUNE 26-28, 2012 MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Committee Chair.

(1) Recommendation. That Robin Baker, assistant athletics director and assistant softball coach at the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, be named chair, replacing Nikki Fennern, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota.

(2) Effective Date: September 1, 2012.

(3) Rationale. Ms. Baker has been at Wisconsin-Eau Claire since 2001 and has provided valuable insight and leadership to the committee during her first two years of service on the softball committee.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Automatic Qualification.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 41 conferences be approved for automatic qualification to the 2013 NCAA Division III Softball Championship: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference, American Southwest Conference, Capital Athletic Conference, Centennial Conference, City University of New York Athletic Conference, College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin, Colonial States Athletic Conference, Commonwealth Coast Conference, Commonwealth Conference, Empire 8, Freedom Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Great South Athletic Conference *(First Year Grace Period)*, Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Landmark Conference, Little East Conference, Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Midwest Conference, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, New England Collegiate Conference, New England Small College Athletic Conference, New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference, New Jersey Athletic Conference, North Atlantic Conference, North Coast Athletic Conference, North Eastern Athletic Conference, Northern Athletics Conference,

Northwest Conference, Ohio Athletic Conference, Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Presidents' Athletic Conference, Skyline Conference, Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference *(First Year Grace Period)*, St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, State University of New York Athletic Conference, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference; USA South Athletic Conference and the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Based on 2011-12 sponsorship numbers, the bracket size for softball will increase from 61 to 62 teams in 2013.

Anticipated Pool Allocations
Pool A - 41
Pool B - 2
Pool C - 19

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. Each conference meets the requirements of Bylaw 31.3.2 and has completed the automatic-qualification declaration form. Please note that pool allocations may be adjusted based on 2012-13 sponsorship numbers.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. Regional Rankings.

(1) Recommendation. That 20 percent of the teams in each region be included in the regional rankings, with a minimum of eight teams ranked and a maximum of 12 teams ranked.

(2) Effective Date: September 1, 2013 (in conjunction with new regional alignment plan).

(3) Rationale. The committee currently ranks eight teams per region. The committee believes that in order for adequate data to be available in the results versus ranked teams column in the online score reporting system, no fewer than eight teams should be ranked in each region. Given the relatively low number of institutions in the Great Lakes, Midwest and West regions and also the geographic diversity of the West region, it can be challenging for teams from those regions to play many ranked teams in order to have significant

comparative data to help the committee to evaluate teams for rankings and selections.

The committee is aware that the Championships Committee has recommended that team sport committees rank 15 percent of the teams in each region, with a minimum of six teams, effective 2013-14. If the regional alignment recommended by the softball committee is approved effective 2013-14, the number of teams ranked per region for 15 percent and 20 percent is outlined below. The committee believes the additional information available in the results versus ranked teams column due to ranking 8-12 teams (versus 6-10 teams) per region would assist the committee to better evaluate teams for rankings and selections.

Region	No. of Teams	15%	15% (min. 6)	20%	20% (min. 8, max. 12)
Atlantic	58	8.7 = 9	9	11.6 = 12	12
Central	51	7.65 = 8	8	10.2 = 10	10
East	59	8.85 = 9	9	11.8 = 12	12
Great Lakes	43	6.45 = 6	6	8.6 = 9	9
Midwest	38	5.7 = 6	6	7.6 = 8	8
New England	55	8.25 = 8	8	11.0 = 11	11
Northeast	67	10.05 = 10	10	13.4 = 13	12
West	35	5.25 = 5	6	7.0 = 7	8

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. Student-athletes enjoy and take pride in their team being ranked. Regional rankings are an effective, cost-free way to provide public recognition for teams and promote the sport. Ranking 20 percent of the teams in each region, with a minimum of eight teams and a maximum of 12 teams, allows more teams and student-athletes to benefit from the publicity.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **Meeting Schedule and Agenda.** Ms. Fennern welcomed the committee members and reviewed the meeting schedule and agenda.

2. **2011 Annual Meeting Minutes.** The committee approved the 2011 annual meeting minutes as submitted.

3. **NCAA Division III Championships Committee Actions.** The committee reviewed actions taken by the NCAA Division III Championships Committee in 2011-12 relevant to the work of the softball committee.

4. **National and Regional Advisory Committee Rosters.** The committee reviewed the committee rosters and noted vacancies for 2012-13.

5. **Committee Chair and Vice Chair.** The committee elected Ms. Baker as chair and Lori Mazza, director of athletics at the University of Pittsburgh, Bradford, as vice chair of the committee for 2012-13.

6. **Review of 2012 Regional Sites.** The committee reviewed site evaluation forms for each regional site and evaluated the regional host institutions.

7. **Review of 2012 Championship Finals.** The committee met with Carey Harveycutter, director of civic facilities for the Salem Civic Center, and John Shaner, parks and recreation director for the city of Salem, and also reviewed site evaluation forms for the finals site. The committee commended Salem and the Old Dominion Athletic Conference for their excellent facilities and event management staff. The committee recommended several improvements for the championship:

   a. Evaluate an alternate location for the batting cage to facilitate greater usage of the cage.

   b. Embed pitching plates and home plates in the bullpen.

   c. Develop a staggered schedule for teams to eat breakfast at the team hotel on the practice day.

   d. Schedule team community service activities for a maximum of 90 minutes.

   e. In order to make the presentation of the National Fastpitch Coaches Association all-America awards at the student-athlete banquet more efficient, direct the presenter to limit information provided for second- and third-team honorees to name, school and position, and include key statistics only for first-team honorees. Further, work with the NFCA to incorporate the submission of photos as part of the nomination process to secure photos for the slide show during the awards presentation at the banquet.

   f. Move the umpires' meeting to Thursday afternoon instead of Thursday night after the coaches and administrators meeting.

   g. Change inscription on trophies from "2nd place" to "National Runner-Up."

h. Provide specific guidance to hosts regarding the permissible format for rosters/programs distributed on site for championships identified to receive digital programs.

i. Move the bat-testing area on the practice day to the media tent and direct teams to park in the back lot.

j. Add a Special Olympics clinic or game on Saturday morning in the new championship format (effective 2013-14). With the approved date formula change, the softball championship will no longer conflict with the Special Olympics softball championship in Virginia.

8. Umpires. The committee reviewed a report from the NCAA Softball Umpire Program (SUP) and developed a list of recommended umpires for regionals and the finals. The committee suggested that the SUP staff request umpire recommendations from coaches in May (i.e., immediately following the season), when the coaches are better able to recall the umpires' performances. The committee noted that the request for umpire recommendations also should be sent to conference commissioners.

9. Online Score Reporting System. The committee reviewed the new process of conferences reporting results through the online statistics system and noted that it was very helpful for the NCAA statistics staff (instead of the regional advisory committees) to verify schedules and results.

10. Selection Process and Procedures. The committee reviewed the selection criteria and confirmed support for retaining the once ranked, always ranked concept. The committee did not support adding end-of-season performance or a strength-of-schedule multiplier for home versus away contests. The committee reviewed the new RAC online balloting process and noted that the system was user friendly. The committee supports permitting the governing sports committees to adjust the RAC rankings if necessary to ensure consistency in the ranking process across regions and from the first regional ranking through selections.

11. Sports Sponsorship. The committee reviewed the 2012 pool document and discussed at length possible changes to regional alignment for 2013-14. The committee noted that a primary goal of the realignment process is to place all conference members in the same sport region. The committee determined that University Athletic Association (UAA) members, which currently are assigned to five different sport regions, should be assigned to no more than two regions in the new regional alignment. The committee noted that permitting UAA members to be in more than two regions provides advantages, including 1) UAA members don't compete against each other for regional rankings, which allows an opportunity for more conference members to be ranked in regional rankings; and 2) UAA

student-athletes generally do not have to compete against other UAA student-athlete for post-season awards (e.g., NFCA regional all-America awards). The committee also recommended moving several conferences to different sport regions to better balance the number of teams per region. The committee reviewed the automatic qualification applications and noted that the Great South Athletic Conference and the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference will begin their first year of the grace period in 2012-13.

12. **Plan for 2013 Championship.** The committee adjusted the pairings and order of games for the six-team regional bracket and also revised the home team determination form for the six-team site. The committee noted that the verbiage in the softball rules book regarding professional coaching attire should be added to the participant manual and the conference call agenda for regionals and the finals. The committee indicated that verbiage regarding homophobic comments and actions should be added to the crowd control statement.

13. **Committee Report for National Fastpitch Coaches Association Convention.** The committee reviewed the report presented by staff to the Division III coaches during the NFCA Convention in December 2011.

14. **Annual Mailings.** The committee reviewed the information included for softball in the Championships monthly newsletters.

15. **Manuals.** The committee reviewed the softball pre-championship manual, host operations manual and participant manual and made revisions as appropriate.

16. **Future Dates and Sites.** The committee reviewed the dates for the 2013 championship. The committee also reviewed the recently approved change to the championship date formula (effective 2013-14) and drafted brackets and confirmed game times for regionals, super regionals and the finals. The committee identified Monday, June 24-Wednesday, June 26 as the dates for the 2013 annual meeting.

Committee Chair: Nikki Fennern, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
Staff Liaison: Jan Gentry, Championships and Alliances

June 26-28, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Robin Baker, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire	Bonnie Skrenta, DePauw University

Charlie Dobbins, William Peace University	
Nikki Fennern, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	
Lori Mazza, University of Pittsburgh, Bradford	
Philip McElroy, Emerson College (portion via conference call)	
Mike Reed, University of Texas at Tyler (portion via conference call)	
John Sutyak, Wheaton College (Massachusetts)	
Other Participants: Jan Gentry, NCAA	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III SWIMMING AND DIVING COMMITTEE
AUGUST 22, 2012 TELECONFERENCE

***INFORMATIONAL ITEM*.**

- **Access ratio.** The NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee would like to bring attention to the access ratio for women in swimming and diving. Over the past four years there has been an upward trend in the number of participants in women's swimming and diving, however there is a wide gap in the amount of access for women to the championships. While there was a cap increase in swimming and diving in 2010, the access ratio for women is still alarming compared to the men and other like individual sports. The Swimming and Diving Committee is concerned that there is a demonstrated inequity between the access ratio for men and women. The access ratio for men in 2011-12 was 1:14, while the access ratio for women was 1:20. Team-sport brackets were originally established using a participation ratio of 1:8 to 1:12. Subsequent adjustments made by the NCAA Division III Championships Committee, as directed by the membership, reflects a 1:7.5 to 1:12 participation ratio, effective with the 1999-00 championships. The membership approved a 1:6.5 ratio at the 2003 Convention that was effective with the 2005-06 championship season. While no similar documented history seems to exist for individual sports, there was some understanding by the Swimming and Diving Committee that historically the ideal ratio for individual sports was around 1:16. If that is in fact the case, on average over 60 women have been left out of the championships each year over the past four years. Even with the cap increase from 232 to 264, if the access ratio would have been 1:16 the cap would have been 319 in 2011, which would have resulted in 31-32 invited participants in each individual event instead of the 17-18 that were actually invited and participated. Moreover, based on the times of those 60 plus swimmers that were not invited, they certainly could have had an effect on the outcome of the championships as their times were very competitive compared to those in the field.

  Following are the differences in the actual invited time, and those times if the cap were raised as described above:

50 yard	+0.09 seconds
100 yard	+0.61 seconds
200 yard	+1.49 seconds
400 yard	+2.64 seconds
500 yard	+3.99 seconds
1650 yard	+8.38 seconds

Committee Chair: *Rob Klamut, Westminster College*
Staff Liaison(s): *Anthony Holman; Championships and Alliances*

Teleconference August 22, 2012	
Attendees	Absentees
Kenneth Andrews, Mid-Atlantic Conference	Kimberly Lessard, Washington College
Kim Bierwert, Smith College	
Jennifer Blomme, Whitman College	
Anne Goodman James, Colorado College	
Rob Klamut, Westminster	
Aaron Paskvan, Calvin College	
Kate Roy, University of New England	
Anthony Holman, NCAA Staff	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING COMMITTEE JULY 10-12, 2012, ANNUAL MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Standards and Selections.

(1) Recommendation. At the time of entry, institutions must designate an championship roster with the student-athletes they wish to be considered for championships selections, including those that only may be relay alternates. Only times for the student-athletes listed on the championships roster will be considered for championships selections (including relays). All entered student-athletes must be currently enrolled, eligible and available for the championships, including all relay participants. If a student-athlete on the fastest relay is unable to attend the championships, then the associated time will not be valid. Individuals who have not qualified, but are listed on their institution's roster, may participate on any invited relay, but not on optional entry relays. Transportation and per diem for these individuals will **NOT** be reimbursed by the NCAA.

(2) Rationale. This change will ensure that the times and the student-athletes who achieved those times are those being considered for the championships. This process will provide more flexibility for coaches to manage their championships roster. Previously, times could be selected from anyone on the team's regular-season roster, even if the coach did not intend to enter that person into the championship.

(3) Budget Impact. None.

(4) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Championships Swimming Entries.

(1) Recommendation. Each institution may enter one team per relay event. The fastest time (actual or aggregate 25-yard or converted metric) that has been achieved by the student-athletes listed on the institution's championships roster during the qualifying period must be submitted. The NCAA championships entry program automatically will select the fastest time swam in that event and enter the corresponding four student-athletes from the institution's championship roster into the event. If entering the institution's fastest team in each relay event results in one or more swimmer(s) being listed on the entry in more than seven events, the entry will **NOT** be accepted. The OME system will prompt the coach to make a change that results in no swimmer being entered in more than seven

events. The coach may remove the swimmer(s) from an individual event or any of the relay events. If a student-athlete is removed from a relay, the coach will be permitted to enter that relay event using a different student-athlete(s) that has not been entered in more than seven events.

(2) Rationale. Previously, coaches were allowed to enter a swimmer into the championships in more than seven events even though swimmers cannot swim in more than seven events. Thus the swimmer would have to scratch from the event. Allowing the entry could affect the selection process and potentially eliminate another swimmer from being invited to the meet. Eliminating that option will provide a safeguard for coaches to not enter their swimmers into more than seven events. This change is consistent with the change in championship roster management, and coaches will have more flexibility at the time of entries to avoid a swimmer being entered in more than seven events.

(3) Budget Impact. None.

(4) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

c. Regional Diving Sites.

(1) Recommendation. That the following sites serve as 2013 diving regional sites:

Region 1 (Central)	Calvin College Grand Rapids, Michigan
Region 2 (Midwest-South-West)	Trinity College San Antonio, Texas
Region 3 (Northeast-North)	Springfield College Springfield Massachusetts
Region 4 (Northeast-South)	Ithaca College Ithaca, New York

(2) Rationale. Each site provided the facilities and infrastructure required to host the event.

(3) Budget Impact. Each regional site will receive a $1,000 stipend to host the event.

(4) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

d. Committee Chair.

(1) Recommendation. That Ms. Anne Goodman James, head coach at Colorado College, serve as the NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee chair for the 2012-13 academic year.

(2) Rationale. Ms. Goodman James has been a member of the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee for three years and has been the Division III representative on the rules subcommittee. Ms. Goodman James has coached at each NCAA division and has previous experience serving on the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee at each level.

(3) Budget Impact. None.

(4) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. 2011 Annual Meeting Minutes. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee reviewed the 2011 meeting minutes and approved without modifications.

2. Championship Review.

a. Explore flooring tarp options used by USA Swimming at the Olympic trials to use at NCAA championships to eliminate the slippery surface.
b. Work with the host site to minimize the head table size to provide more deck space and team seating areas where possible.
c. Establish a protocol for selecting the banquet speaker; making sure the speaker has the proper skill to deliver a message that will be beneficial and well received by the student-athletes.
d. Make sure that banquet tickets are collected at the event to ensure attendance and payment (if required) by teams.
e. Ensure that the host facility scoreboard has the capability to show a leader board.
f. Specify with the host facility that a timing system technician be on site throughout the championships.
g. Continue to use relay-takeoff pads at the championships. Ensure that the pads have been serviced and tested prior to the championships.
h. Work with the host facility to ensure video replay is available.
i. NCAA staff should work with the host hotels and the competition facility to ensure that Wi-Fi is available for student-athletes.
j. NCAA staff should work with USA Swimming to get the USA Swimming formatted heat sheets that contain greater detail and information about the swimmers competing in the events included.

3. Championship Officiating. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee discussed the continuation of the online application process to solicit and select championship officials. Also, the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee agreed to continue to use the official's evaluation process that was established for the 2012 championships, with each national committee member and the meet coordinator completing evaluations on each key official selected to work the championships. In the future, the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee agreed to also have the meet referee complete evaluations on each of the key officials. The individual composite results of the evaluations should be shared with the respective officials.

4. Important Dates.

- Monday, February 25, 2013 – Swimming entries due by 8 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 26, 2013 – Diving regional intent to compete form due by noon.
- Tuesday, February 26, 2013 –List of all swimming entries received will be posted by noon.
- Tuesday, February 26, 2013 – Coaches are asked to review the list of entries received and report any errors to USA Swimming/NCAA by 8 p.m. Coaches must declare their maximum 18 swimmers for selections by 8 p.m.
- Wednesday, February 27, 2013 – Selections at 10 a.m.
- Wednesday, February 27, 2013 – List of diving entries (by region) received will be posted by noon.
- Wednesday, February 27, 2013 – Unofficial psyche sheet posted with SWIMMERS ONLY posted by 8 p.m.
- Friday – Saturday, March 1 – 2, 2013 – Diving regionals.
- Monday, March 4, 2013 – Any institution that has over 18 student-athletes must declare their final 18 by noon.
- Monday, March 4, 2013 – OFFICIAL psyche sheet with swimmers and divers will be posted by 8 p.m.
- Friday, March 15, 2013 – Individual event alternates may be invited up until 5 p.m. Eastern time.

5. Regional Diving Entry Procedures. NCAA staff will work with the diving coordinator and/or entry/time coordinator so that diving scores can be sent to them within the Hytek results to create a weekly top scores list.

- Diving scores must be sent within 72 hours following the qualifying performance. The Hytek file shall be sent to Michelle Chaffin or Lewis Fellinger as well as being sent to USA Swimming.
- The intent-to-compete form must be submitted online by noon Tuesday, February 26, 2013.
- Competitors must upload their dive(s) list into the diving software system being used by the respective regional they are assigned to.

6. Qualifying Standards. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee adopted championship qualifying standards for the 2013 NCAA Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Championships. The standards are consistent with the formula adopted by the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee.

- Women Individual A cuts based on third place and three-year average.
- Men Individual A cuts based on fifth place and three-year average.
- Women Individual B cuts should remain the same from 2012 for all events that had fewer than 32 entrants.
- Men Individual B cuts should remain the same from 2012 for all events that had fewer than 32 entrants.

- Women and Men Relays the average of the A Cut will be second place entry time and the B Cut will be the twentieth place entry time, both of which are based on a three-year average.

7. **Diving Subcommittee**. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee agreed to maintain the diving subcommittee, made up of one representative from each region, with the diving representative from the national committee serving as the chair. The subcommittee will provide feedback to the national committee and be a resource to assist with the diving regionals. The duties and responsibilities of the subcommittee will include, but not be limited to, the following: serve as a site representative at a regional; assist in the solicitation of regional sites; assist in the recruitment of potential diving judges; and suggest possible rules changes.

   Region 1 (Central) – Amy Krysiak, University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh.
   Region 2 (Midwest-South-West) – Aaron Paskvan, Calvin College.
   Region 3 (Northeast-North) – Brad Snodgrass, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
   Region 4 (Northeast-South) – Victor Galati, Washington & Jefferson College.

8. **Academic and Membership Affairs (AMA)**. Members of the NCAA AmA staff joined the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee to discuss playing and practice season declaration, how to better define weeks, and clarification on captains' practices. The AMA staff will prepare an educational article that the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee will use as an FAQ document to share with swimming and diving coaches.

9. **Regional Diving Judges**. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee would like to provide travel expenses to the independent diving judges that officiate the championships. Beginning with the 2010 championships, independent diving judges have been used instead of coaches. That move has been a positive change for the championships. However, at the time the proposal for the independent diving judge was approved, no additional funds were allocated to cover travel expenses for the judges. As the championships sites continue to move across the country, there are not always qualified judging officials in the immediate area, thus the need to bring in independent judges to maintain the quality of judges for the student-athletes. If funding cannot be reallocated in the current budget, the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee would like to have funding allocated in the next budget cycle to cover the estimated $3,500 expense.

10. **Deck Passes.** The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee agreed to modify the credential policy to allow that each team (men's and women's) be permitted to purchase one additional deck pass beyond what is allotted in the prescribed deck pass allocation formula. If the order is placed by the prescribed deadline, the cost shall be equal to the cost of a championships all-session ticket. If a team does not order the permitted additional deck pass by the time of the deadline and wishes to purchases a deck pass on site at the championships, the cost shall be the full cost of an all-session ticket plus $25. This allowance will accommodate some teams that have multiple coaches or team personnel vital to the student-athletes and their performance that in the past have not been permitted on deck. The current deck pass allocation formula is consistent with the travel party reimbursement formula. That formula states that one non athlete deck pass is provided to institutions that have one to five qualifiers; of the 90 institutions represented at the 2012 championships, 65 had one to five qualifiers. This allowance will help those institutions better coach, support and serve their student-athletes.

9. Other Business.

a. NCAA staff will provide the Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee additional information on the access ratio numbers that are used by the Division III Championships Committee and Management Council when deciding on field size for championships.

b. The Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee thanked Aaron Paskvan and Jennifer Blomme for their service on the committee as their terms expire August 31, 2012.

Committee Chair: *Rob Klamut, Westminster College*
Staff Liaison: *Anthony Holman, Championships and Alliances*

June 10 -12 , 2012	
Attendees	Absentees
Kim Bierwert, Smith College	
Jennifer Blomme, Whitman College	
Anne Goodman James, Colorado College	
Rob Klamut, Westminster College	
Kim Lessard, Washington College	
Aaron Paskvan, Calvin College	
Kate Roy, University of New England	
Other Participants: Anthony Holman, NCAA	

REPORT OF THE DIVISION III MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS COMMITTEE JULY 10-11, 2012 MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Men's Tennis Automatic Qualification.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 30 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 championships: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference (*First Year Grace Period*); Centennial Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Freedom Conference; Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Little East Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; President's Athletic Conference; Skyline Conference; Southern California Inter. Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (*First Year Grace Period*); The Commonwealth Coast Conference; University Athletic Association; USA South Athletic Conference.

(2) Effective Date. Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The 30 conferences meet the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 31.3.2 and have completed the automatic-qualification declaration form. Please note that pool allocations may adjust if 2012-13 sponsorship numbers change.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Women's Tennis Automatic Qualification.

(1) Recommendation. That the following 38 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 championships: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference (*First Year Grace Period*); Centennial Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Freedom Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Great South Athletic Conference (*First Year Grace Period*); Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Little East Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference; New Jersey Athletic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; President's Athletic Conference; Skyline Conference; Southern California Inter. Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (*First Year Grace Period*); St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; The Commonwealth Coast Conference; University Athletic Association; USA South Athletic Conference; Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

(2) Effective Date: Immediate.

(3) Rationale. The 38 conferences meet the requirements of NCAA Bylaw 31.3.4 and have completed the automatic-qualification declaration form. Please note that pool allocations may adjust if 2012-13 sponsorship numbers change.

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. 2011 Annual Meeting Minutes. NCAA staff reviewed the minutes with the committee and it was recommended that the minutes from its 2011 Annual Meeting be approved.

2. Review of NCAA Division III Championships Committee actions. NCAA staff reviewed the committee actions, highlighting those that affect the tennis championships.

The committee discussed ways to continue to educate the coaching community of the actions.

3. **2012 championships review.** NCAA staff reviewed the preliminary round hosts, championship finals including the banquets, Special Olympics clinics, evaluations, selections and protest procedures and other related items. The committee discussed best practices learned through the championship.

4. **Planning for the 2013 championships and beyond.** Mr. Murphy provided an overview of the Kalamazoo College and Western Michigan University tennis facilities, selected team and officials hotels and led discussion with the committee regarding the operations of the 2013 championship finals in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

   Additionally, the committee reviewed conferences that have submitted automatic qualification declaration forms for the 2012-13 academic year.

   The committee also discussed regional alignment possibilities and concluded that there was not a good tennis specific reason to propose new or additional regions.

5. **Rankings.** NCAA staff reviewed the vacancies on the Regional Advisory Committees (RAC). The committee discussed the score reporting system, the RAC balloting process and timeline for rankings.

6. **Selections.** The committee discussed ways to improve the official lineup/entry form and provided feedback from their experiences using the selection bracketing and balloting system.

7. **ITA Issues.** Mr. Benjamin and Ms. Prinos discussed with the committee ways in which we can improve ITA and NCAA rankings and provide information and further educate the coaching community on the ranking processes and championship selections.

8. **Review of Manuals.** NCAA staff asked the committee to review the pre-championships, host operations and participant manuals and requested they provide any suggested changes to the NCAA staff.

9. **Committee.** The men's and women's committees reaffirmed their respective committee chairs for the 2012-13 academic year. The NCAA staff reviewed the 2012-13 committee timeline.

10. **Future dates and sites.** The committee reviewed future championship dates and sites. NCAA staff discussed the final site bid process currently under way.

Committee Chairs: Mike Zapolski, Augustana College
Mark Murphy, Kalamazoo College
Staff Liaisons: Meredith Cleaver, Championships and Alliances
Dominique Steen, Championships and Alliances
Ethan Walker, Championships and Alliances

July 10-11, 2012 Annual Meeting	
Attendees	**Absentees**
Chris Bizot, University of Texas, Tyler	
Jeff Brandes, Drew University	
John Browning, Emory University	
Becky Cecere, Penn State University, Harrisburg	
Mindy Mangels, Wellesley College	
Mark Murphy, Kalamazoo College	
Erin Ness, University of California, Santa Cruz	
Mike Zapolski, Augstana College	
Other Participants: David Benjamin, ITA; ,Angel Prinos, ITA; and Ethan Walker, NCAA.	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEE JUNE 13 – 15, 2012 ANNUAL MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

Nonlegislative Items.

- **Committee Chair.**

    1. Recommendation. That Paul Sargent, head cross country and track and field coach, Franklin College, serve as committee chair of the NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee.

    2. Effective Date. Immediate.

    3. Rationale. Mr. Sargent is beginning his second year on the committee. Although still a relatively new committee member, he has been very active and a major contributor on the committee and to the NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Cross Country and Track and Field Championships. He has over 15 years experience as a Division III cross country and track and field coach. He has numerous conference accomplishments, including coach-of-the-year awards as well as having the respect of the Division III coaches.

    4. Budget Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. **2011 Minutes.** Minutes from the 2011 track and field annual meeting were approved as submitted.

2. **Committee Assignments.** The committee reviewed assignments from this past year. With this review the following are the new assignments for 2012-13: cross country liaisons - Kate Curran and Jon Hird; indoor track and field liaisons – Chris Bayless and new committee member; and outdoor track and field liaisons – John Goldhammer, Mahesh Narayanan, and new committee member.

3. **Joint Meeting Items.** The committee voted to change the relay policy for the distance medley relay to allow for institutions to bring two alternates with the other relay remaining at one alternate. The committee had received feedback from the membership requesting this change due to this relay being a combination of sprint and middle distances. This change would reflect what is currently in place at the NCAA Division I Men's and Women's Track and Field Championships.

4. Championship Review – Cross Country.

a. Regional Cross Country Administration. For the second year in-a-row, a team at a regional ran eight student-athletes instead of the maximum of seven. This team was disqualified as was the team in 2010. A statement will be added to the participant manual specifically addressing this as well as having this discussion at the administrative meeting the night prior to the meet.

b. 2012 Cross Country Regionals. The committee reviewed the practice times, administrative meeting times, and packet pick up times submitted by each regional host and they were approved. The committee noted that due to many of the courses being off-campus, it has become difficult to have the practice Friday as required from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. local time. The committee voted to change this policy to state that a minimum of three hours Friday are required between 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. local time.

c. Box Draw. The regional committee member will be required to obtain the entries from the regional host and complete a box draw for their regional. The box draw will be posted on the regional host website no later than noon local host time Thursday prior to the regional meet. Additionally the committee member will review the team entries to ensure that teams are in the correct region for competition.

d. Awards Ceremony at Nationals. Beginning with the 2012 championships, the awards ceremony will immediately follow the last race. The committee noted that in the past, the two hours between the finish of the race and the awards ceremony resulted in losing spectators and teams at the ceremony.

e. Selections. Cross country selections were aided by the use of additional statistical models to assist with the process. Selections in the past have been hampered due to the lack of head-to-head competition and common opponents. The utilization of two pilot models to verify the selection by the committee was useful and proved to be models that should be accepted for use as additional tools in the selection process. The ability to effectively use these models hinges on having a database that collects all cross country performances a minimum of seven weeks prior to the championship. The NCAA is currently in the process of researching if this type of database can be done similar to the Track and Field Results Reporting System (TFRRS) used in indoor and outdoor track and field.

5. Championship Review – Indoor Track and Field.

a. Final Qualifying Meets. In order to ensure that all final qualifying meets are administered fairly for all teams, it will be required that when seeding events that the

only marks that can be used are those on TFRRS that have occurred from December 1 of that academic year until the deadline. If no time has been achieved, then a "no time" will be used.

b. Selections. This was the first year to use the fixed-field sizes. The committee will review the fixed-field sizes each year and be prepared to submit a recommendation to the NCAA Division III Championships Committee, if needed, after three years of data has been collected. The men had a total of 221 student-athletes participate and the women had a total of 218 compared with the 223 per gender in 2011.

c. Technical Sheet. Due to having fixed-field sizes, the committee was able to publish a technical sheet eight weeks prior to the championships allowing the membership to review heats, flights, advancements and procedures. The goal of this technical sheet is to provide consistency each year and improve communication. The committee will add the information regarding combined-event competition as was done for the outdoor championships. For 2013, both the indoor and outdoor combined events will be seeded based on the best time in that sport season as verifiable on TFRRS.

6. Championship Review – Outdoor Track and Field.

a. Final Qualifying Meets. In order to ensure that all final qualifying meets are administered fairly for all teams it will be required that when seeding events that the only marks that can be used are those on TFRRS that have occurred from February 1 of that academic year until the deadline. If no time has been achieved, then a "no time" will be used.

b. Selections. This was the first year in using the fixed-field sizes for outdoor track and field similar to indoor track and field. The committee reviewed the participant numbers from this year compared to the past. The men had a total of 408 student-athletes participate and the women had a total of 402 compared with the 398 per gender in 2011.

c. Technical Sheet. In the same manner as indoor track and field, the committee published a technical sheet eight weeks prior to the championships allowing the membership to review heats, flights, advancements and procedures. In addition, that combined events will be seeded based on the best time in that sport season as verifiable on TFRRS, another change will be made in the flight-specific warm-up time for field events to allow for officials to begin the competition early if all competitors are ready.

7. Misconducts.

a. Private Reprimands. The committee issued three private reprimands to institutions whose student-athletes were in the process of stealing championships signage.

b. Private Reprimand. The committee issued a private reprimand and a fine of $300 to an institution where two student-athletes cut and stole flagging rendering close to 200 feet of unusable flagging for future championships.

Committee Chair: Will Freeman, Grinnell College,
Staff Liaison(s): Holly Sheilley, Championships and Alliances

June 13-15, 2012	
Attendees	Absentees
Chris Bayless, Ursinus College	Barbara Crousen, McMurry University
Kate Curran, St. Lawrence University	
Will Freeman, Grinnell College	
John Goldhammer, Claremont Mudd Scripps Colleges	
Jon Hird, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	
Mahesh Narayanan, North Central College	
Paul Sargent, Franklin College	
Holly Sheilley, NCAA	

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISIONS I, II AND III TRACK AND FIELD COMMITTEES
JUNE 14, 2012, JOINT ANNUAL MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **None.**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

4. 2011 Minutes. Minutes from the 2011 annual meeting were approved as submitted.

5. Pole Vault Update. Dave Klossner, NCAA staff liaison to the Committees on Competitive Safeguards and Medical Aspects of Sports, provided an update on the status of the pole vault safety study currently underway.

6. 2011-12 Divisional Championship Review. The chair of each divisional subcommittee provided a short summary of their respective divisional NCAA cross country, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field championships.

7. Rules. Bob Podkaminer, NCAA cross country/track and field secretary-rules editor, summarized the rules proposals, noting that the rules subcommittees deliberated and categorized the proposals as controversial, non-controversial, tabled or rejected/withdrawn items.

The following items were approved by the committees: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 38, 39, 41, 43, 45, 46, 50, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 60, 61, 63, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 87 and 88 (b-e).

The following items were tabled by the committees: 12, 20, and 21.

The following items were rejected or withdrawn by the committees: 6, 10, 22, 32, 33, 37, 40, 42, 44, 47, 48, 49, 51, 57, 58, 59, 62, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 74, 75, 85, 86 and 88a.

All approved items will be distributed to the membership for comment before being forwarded to the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel for review and final approval.

8. **Rules Committees Update.** Rachel Seewald, NCAA playing rules, explained the structure and process of the new rules committees for cross country and track and field which will form for the first time during the 2012-13 academic year. The committees discussed how input would be sought from the sport committees, as well as, from the membership through surveys and comment periods.

6. **Indoor Track Indexing.** Mr. Podkaminer summarized the findings of the indoor track indexing subcommittees, which was formed to respond to concerns raised by the committees, as well as, coaches represented by the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA). The issue of track indexing became pronounced over time as indoor facilities were fabricated to fit into existing buildings, resulting in various sizes that have no relation to the current facilities standard. The varying facility configurations produced inequalities in performances that affected the committee's goal of creating valid comparisons within an event performance ranking. The method of conversions was based mainly on conjecture and manipulated on an annual basis within each divisional committee, independent from one another.

In 2007, the collection of results from NCAA indoor competitions became automated to allow performances for an entire season to be analyzed. As a result, the analysis of data generated a statistically significant and formulaic indexing methodology to apply event specific conversions based on facility type and size in a consistent manner across all divisions. The new track indexing conversions were derived from thousands of objective race performances collected through the Track and Field Results Reporting System (TFRRS).

The committees approved the indoor track indexing conversion for implementation in the 2012-13 academic year and will continue to evaluate the conversions each year to ensure that current data is included. A reference guide for track indexing will be available on the NCAA website August 17, 2012 (log into NCAA.org, Championships, Indoor Track and Field). On a divisional basis, each committees determined that the conversions for the given championships season will correspond with the type and size of facility to be used for the national championships.

7. **Qualifying Regulations.** Holly Sheilley, NCAA staff, reviewed the proposed changes to the qualifying regulations. Each divisional committee put forward two individuals to serve on a subcommittees to work over the summer to develop a final recommendation of qualifying regulations by August 1 for each committees to approve.

8. **Evaluation of Performance Challenge Process.** Todd Patulski, Division I Track and Field committee chair, and Liz Suscha, NCAA staff, led the discussion on performance-

challenge guidelines developed to determine how to accept, review and respond to performance challenges throughout the track and field season. The committees agreed to implement the performance challenge guidelines for the 2012-13 academic year. The guidelines will be communicated to coaches through the pre-championships manuals and will be available on the NCAA website August 17, 2012 (log into NCAA.org, Championships, Indoor/Outdoor Track and Field).

9. **Review of Direct Athletics Results Reporting System (TFRRS).** Will Freeman, Division III Track and Field committee chair, led the discussion on TFRRS. NCAA staff will communicate the feedback and opportunities for improvement to TFRRS management (i.e., DirectAthletics).

10. **Presentation by USA Track & Field.** Jill Geer, chief information officer for USA Track and Field, led a discussion with the group regarding how to increase exposure and experience for the student-athletes and fans.

11. **Breakout Session.** Each divisional chair facilitated discussion on the following two questions:

    a. How do we enhance the sport through regular-season competition?

    Several common themes emerged from the breakout groups, including: enhancing the entertainment factor of regular season competition, considering scored meets to better establish rivalries, allowing single event meets to count for qualification to highlight the overall meet, exploring opportunities for shorter meets, establishing real-time scoring, developing community/campus involvement, and promoting the imperial announcement of performances (i.e., feet/inches vs. meters/centimeters).

    b. How do we enhance the presentation of our championships events?

    Several common themes emerged from the breakout groups, including applying technology to generate fan interaction (e.g., access to results via mobile devices), using the schedule to showcase events in downtimes, developing in-venue elements to help fan interest, establishing community outreach and involvement, considering a combined cross country championships, and better leveraging the announcer to engage in-venue fans.

    The committees took no formal action, but expressed commitment to either evaluate further or act upon the concepts developed.

Committees Chair: *Will Freeman, Grinnell College*
Staff Liaisons: *Katie Holmes, Championships and Alliances*

Holly Sheilley, Championships and Alliances
Liz Suscha, Championships and Alliances

Joint Annual Meeting/June 13, 2012	
Attendees	Absentees
Penny Allen-Cook, Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Barbara Crousen, McMurry University
Christopher Asher, California State University, Los Angeles	Kristene Kelly, Saint Augustine's College
Chris Bayless, Ursinus College	
William Bright Jr., Stillman College	
Kate Curran, St. Lawrence University	
Gregg Gensel, Utah State University	
John Goldhammer, Claremont Mudd Scripps Colleges	
Scott Groom, Western State College of Colorado	
Richard Hart, Stonehill College	
Jon Hird, University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	
Maisha Kelly, Bucknell University	
Stan Kerr, Eastern Washington University	
John McNichols, Indiana State University	
Mike Mead, Clayton State University	
Mahesh Narayanan, North Central College	
Philip Olson, Stephen F. Austin University	
Todd Patulski, Baylor University	
Kirk Pedersen, University of Central Missouri	
Willie Randolph, Central Michigan University	
Marc Ryan, University of Minnesota	
Paul Sargent, Franklin College	
Susan Seaton, University of Cincinnati	

Cinnamon Sheffield, University of North Texas	
Gina Sperry, University of Rhode Island	
Bill Walton, James Madison University	
Other Participants Morgan DeSpain, NCAA; Jill Geer, USATF; Lauren Graham, NCAA; Greg Johnson, NCAA; Dave Klossner, NCAA; Bob Podkaminer, NCAA Secretary-Rules Editor; Rachel Seewald, NCAA; Hamardo Sinclair, NCAA	

REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S VOLLEYBALL COMMITTEE JULY 15-17, 2012, ANNUAL MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

1. Legislative Items.

- **None.**

2. Nonlegislative Items.

a. Automatic qualification eligibility.

(1) Recommendation. That the NCAA Division III Championships Committee apply its automatic qualification (AQ) authority to offer waiver consideration for select conferences applying for AQ consideration for the 2014 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship. Specifically, consideration would be offered to conferences that have a minimum of five members that were not previously in a conference receiving an AQ (i.e., considered as independents) or that begin sponsoring the sport in 2012-13. The conferences must have seven total members to qualify for the AQ waiver (e.g., a minimum of five members not previously in an AQ conference and at least two additional members).

(2) Effective Date. Immediate, but applicable for the 2014 championships only.

(3) Rationale. The waiver is proposed as a means to grow the sport of men's volleyball and create opportunities for participation as the championship is established in its early years. The waiver recommendation reflects the spirit of the provisions for AQ established for the first two years of the men's volleyball championship (2012 and 2013). Specifically, the initial provisions waived the requirement that a conference be in existence for two years before receiving an AQ, waived the two-year waiting period for established conferences that may not have satisfied the two-year competition and continuity requirements (i.e., the same seven institutions playing volleyball together for two years); and allowed for application of the existing grace period requirements to those conferences receiving an AQ in the first year.

The recommendation for the waiver provides consideration only to those conferences that meet the criteria as outlined in the recommendation. If a conference does not meet the criteria, it will be subject to the two-year waiting period and the involved institutions would be considered for championship selection as Pool B candidates. The threshold of five

members (versus a lesser number or a number inclusive of new members) emphasizes the stability inherent to existing conferences. The NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Committee does not believe that conferences formed primarily by institutions realigning from existing AQ conferences should have an opportunity to receive an AQ immediately and should be subject to the two-year waiting period. Eligible conferences must file the AQ application by February 1, 2013 (consistent with the deadline for all AQ applications for the 2013-14 academic year).

(4) Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. By providing one additional year of AQ waiver consideration for established conferences, more student-athletes will have access to the championship within the framework of conference access (i.e., as eligible Pool A berths).

b. Automatic qualification.

(1) Recommendation. That the following six conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship: Continental Volleyball Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; New England Collegiate Conference; Skyline Conference; and United Volleyball Conference.

The anticipated pool allocations are as follows: Pool A – 6; Pool B – 1; Pool C – 2.

(2) Effective Date. Immediately.

(3) Rationale. All recommended conferences meet criteria for AQ eligibility.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Review of Meeting Schedule and Agenda. The Men's Volleyball Committee reviewed the NCAA staff liaison transition plan as well as the agenda for the meeting.

2. Review/Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting. The Men's Volleyball Committee approved the minutes of the 2011 annual meeting as presented.

3. **Review of Division III Championships Committee Actions from Past Year.** During its review of the Championships Committee reports, the Men's Volleyball Committee highlighted the changes for selection criteria for implementation in the 2013-14 academic year. The Men's Volleyball Committee further noted the four definitions of in-region competition.

4. **National Committee Composition.** NCAA staff agreed to confirm those committee members who are eligible for reappointment and provide a follow-up report to the committee.

5. **Sports Sponsorship.** The Men's Volleyball Committee reviewed sports sponsorship for the 2011-12 academic year and noted anticipated growth for the coming year. Discussion also concerned anticipated changes to conference composition and implications for championship automatic qualification.

6. **Regional Alignment and Pool Allocations.** The committee discussed the regional placement for institutions that are expected to declare sponsorship for the sport; final determinations regarding placement will be determined after September 1. The committee also discussed the anticipated pool berths (refer to Action Item No. 2b).

7. **Automatic Qualification Conferences.** Refer to Action Item Nos. 2a and 2b.

8. **Review Team Selection Criteria.** The Men's Volleyball Committee reviewed the championship ranking/selection criteria and noted that the criteria will remain intact for the 2013 championship. It was noted that the criteria listed in the primary criteria and the secondary criteria are not in rank order, and all criteria in each category are considered to have the same weight in evaluating teams.

9. **Review Site Selection Criteria (Preliminary Rounds).** The Men's Volleyball Committee agreed to be proactive in seeking bids from teams with the potential to play in the single first-round match.

10. **Regional Advisory Committees/Process.** NCAA staff reviewed the regional advisory committee (RAC) balloting process (new in 2011-12). The practice rankings were useful and provided an opportunity for the Men's Volleyball Committee to generate feedback to the RACs early in the ranking/evaluation process. The Men's Volleyball Committee noted that the RAC members felt that, by publishing the RAC rankings without adjustments by the Men's Volleyball Committee, their work was valued and the Men's Volleyball Committee was not redoing the RAC's work. If the Men's Volleyball Committee would have ranked the teams in the region differently, the RAC chair must provide leadership to the RAC when explaining how the Men's Volleyball Committee evaluates the criteria and compares the teams in order to encourage the RAC to be on the same page moving forward. For the 2012 championship, the Men's Volleyball Committee felt the final RAC rankings were consistent with its selections. In addition,

the Men's Volleyball Committee reviewed the policies related to RAC and national committee member replacement for rankings or selections.

11. **Review 2012 Championship.** The Men's Volleyball Committee reviewed the match format, affirming the determination to have the top-seeded team play first in the morning quarterfinals session and the second seeded team to play first in the afternoon quarterfinals session to provide the maximum rest opportunity for those teams. It may be determined that the host team plays in the evening to maximize attendance. The Men's Volleyball Committee also discussed the positive feedback concerning the host institution and the high quality of officiating. In addition, the Men's Volleyball Committee discussed the awards protocol for the championships (i.e., type and quantity of awards distributed to participating teams at the finals site).

12. **Preview 2013 Championship.** The Men's Volleyball Committee discussed the 2013 championship, which will be hosted by Stevens Institute of Technology; a site visit will be conducted in the fall followed by regular planning teleconferences with the host representatives. Planning for 2013 will include a focus on community service participation while at the championships site.

13. **Future Championship Sites (2014 and 2015).** NCAA staff reviewed the current bid timeline for the 2014 championship site determination; the Men's Volleyball Committee will dedicate an upcoming teleconference to review bids that are submitted.

14. **Officiating/Rules.** The Men's Volleyball Committee addressed several topics concerning officiating and rules for the championships, including the following:

a. The Men's Volleyball Committee discussed that current student-athletes or college students serving as line judges may not be in the best interest of the sport and championship. The Men's Volleyball Committee will explore the possibility of requiring that only undergraduate and graduate students who are certified by a recognized officials organization may serve as line judges in regular season competition or conference tournaments.

b. The Men's Volleyball Committee affirmed the strong officiating at the final site and noted several ways to improve the administration of officials for the future. Specifically, the Men's Volleyball Committee noted the following actions:

(1) The desire to have regional representation among those serving at the final site;
(2) Continue to use four line judges to keep up with the pace of the game;
(3) Move the officials meeting to nine o'clock in the morning Friday;
(4) Communicate assignments to officials at the Friday meeting;
(5) Continue to enlist a liaison for the officials with paid per diem and lodging, and require that the liaison or the head official attend the coaches meeting; and

(6) Evaluate the process by which to confirm line judges and table staff at the championship.

c. The Men's Volleyball Committee discussed extensively the rules of competition with particular attention on coordinating rules with NCAA National Collegiate Men's Volleyball as well as the sport of women's volleyball where appropriate. The Men's Volleyball Committee agreed to forward several recommendations for rules modifications to the NCAA Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP). The proposals will be open for comment to the membership prior to review by PROP. The Men's Volleyball Committee also reviewed the application of the rules during the regular season and conference tournaments, noting that additional discussion with and education for the membership is needed to promote consistent rules protocol.

15. Video Exchange. The Men's Volleyball Committee explored the possibility of requiring that championship hosts provide a DVD copy of the advancing team's own match and the match of its opponent within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the match if the team does not videotape on its own.

16. Update Forms and Championship Manuals. The Men's Volleyball Committee proposed revisions for the participant manual, the committee operations manual, the pre-championships manual, and the host operations manual for the 2012-13 academic year. NCAA staff will create final drafts to reflect the revisions.

17. 2013 Annual Meeting Dates. The Men's Volleyball Committee expressed an interest to move up the timeframe for the annual meeting so that it is conducted the first Sunday through Tuesday in June. NCAA staff will finalize plans for the 2013 annual meeting.

18. Other Business and Adjournment. In other business, the Men's Volleyball Committee expressed significant concern about the NCAA transportation policies not covering local transportation. Participating teams reported that they absorbed expense to cover local transportation needs once onsite at the championship.

Committee Chair: Gary Williams, Carthage College
Staff Liaison: Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliances

July 15-17, 2012	
Attendees	Absentees
Jose Pina, New York University	
Charlie Sullivan, Springfield College	
Terry Wansart, Hunter College	

Gary Williams, Carthage College	
Other Participants: Scott Atkinson Jan Gentry, NCAA Linda Godby, NCAA Louise McCleary, NCAA Jeff Myers, NCAA Joan Powell Anne Pufahl Rachel Seewald, NCAA Ron Shayka Kristen Smith Liz Turner Suscha, NCAA	

Division III Cross Country Regional Alignment

The plan as presented below by the Division III Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee balances the regions as much as geographically possible in order to still maintain reasonable travel distances. The highlight of this plan is that it utilizes natural boundaries to create the regions i.e., state lines, and/or interstate lines. Unlike other sports, regional cross country is an all-comers meet that is financed by participating institutions, thus attention to travel expenses was of primary concern as was insuring that there were large enough courses to host any one region.

The Track and Field Committee requested that the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) Executive Committee view the plan that the committee had developed and offer feedback. The USTFCCCA did provide feedback that included some revisions. The committee re-examined the plan, made some changes to the plan based on the above tenants and the recommendation is a result from the work of these groups.

The committee did note that this new alignment would cause travel difficulties for the new west region; however, these travel challenges may not be different than what they currently have. In trying to balance the regions the committee felt the only option was to move Texas to the west region. It should be noted that the existing model also contains significant travel to regional competition. For example, in 2012, Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia will be hosting which will travel time in excess of 10 hours for all Texas institutions.

The new regional alignment plan as presented below and shown on Attachment A would provide the following numbers for each of the regions:

Region	**Border**	**Total Schools**	**Men**	**Women**
West (Brown)	State Lines	34	32	34
South (Orange)	State Lines	57	54	57
Central (Blue)	State Lines and North of I-90/I-94 in Wisconsin	49	46	48
Midwest (Green)	State Lines and South of I-90/I-94 in Wisconsin	51	49	50
Great Lakes (Pink)	State Lines, West of I-86 in NY and West I-99 (220) in PA	52	51	52
Mideast (Red)	State Lines	51	49	51
Atlantic (Yellow)	State Lines and East of I-99 in PA	62	60	62
New England (Purple)	State Lines	61	54	61

Below are the numbers of the regions from the 2011-12 regional alignment.

Region	**Total Schools**	**Men**	**Women**
West	21	20	21
South	55	49	55
Central	30	30	30
Midwest	51	49	51
Great Lakes	41	41	41
Mideast	71	66	71
Atlantic	69	68	69
New England	73	67	73

YELLOW	ATLANTIC				
1	Albert Magnus College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	New Haven	CT	
2	Saint Joseph College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	West Hartford	CT	W
3	Trinity College (Connecticut)	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Hartford	CT	
4	Wesleyan University (Connecticut)	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Middletown	CT	
5	Connecticut College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	New London	CT	
6	Eastern Connecticut State	Little East	Willimantic	CT	
7	Mitchell College	New England Collegiate Conference	New London	CT	
8	U.S. Coast Guard Academy	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	New London	CT	
9	Cazenovia College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Cazenovia	NY	
10	Clarkson University	Liberty League	Potsdam	NY	
11	College of New Rochelle	Independent	New Rochelle	NY	W
12	Hamilton College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Clinton	NY	
13	Hartwick College	Empire 8	Oneonta	NY	
14	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Liberty League	Troy	NY	
15	Bard College	Skyline Conference	Annandale-On-Hud	NY	
16	Mount Saint Mary College (New York)	Skyline Conference	Newburgh	NY	
17	The Sage College	Skyline Conference	Troy	NY	
18	St. Lawrence University	Liberty League	Canton	NY	
19	State University College at New Paltz	State University of New York Athletic Conference	New Paltz	NY	
20	State University College at Oneonta	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Oneonta	NY	
21	State University of New York at Cobleskill	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Cobleskill	NY	
22	State University of New York at Potsdam	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Potsdam	NY	
23	State University of New York Institute of Technolo	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Utica	NY	
24	SUNY Plattsburgh	SUNYAC	Plattsburgh	NY	
25	U.S. Merchant Marine Academy	Landmark Conference	Kings Point	NY	
26	Union College (New York)	Liberty League	Schenectady	NY	
27	Utica College	Empire 8	Utica	NY	
28	Vassar College	Liberty League	Poughkeepsie	NY	
29	York College (New York)	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Jamaica	NY	
30	Ithaca College	Empire 8	Ithaca	NY	
31	Keuka College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Keuka Park	NY	
32	State University of New York at Cortland	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Cortland	NY	
33	State University of New York at Oswego	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Oswego	NY	
34	Wells College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Aurora	NY	
35	College of Mount St. Vincent	Skyline Conference	Riverdale	NY	
36	St. Joseph's College (Long Island)	Skyline Conference	Patchogue	NY	
37	State University College at Old Westbury	Skyline Conference	Old Westbury	NY	
38	State University of New York at Farmingdale	Skyline Conference	Farmingdale	NY	
39	State University of New York Maritime College	Skyline Conference	Throgs Neck	NY	
40	Yeshiva University	Skyline Conference	New York	NY	
41	Baruch College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY	
42	Brooklyn College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Brooklyn	NY	
43	College of Staten Island	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Staten Island	NY	
44	Hunter College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY	
45	John Jay College of Criminal Justice	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY	
46	Lehman College, City University of New York	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Bronx	NY	
47	Manhattanville College	Middle Atlantic Conferences	Purchase	NY	
48	Medgar Evers College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Brooklyn	NY	
49	Morrisville State	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Morrisville	NY	
50	Polytechnic Institute of New York University	Skyline Conference	Brooklyn	NY	
51	Purchase College, State University of New York	Skyline Conference	Purchase	NY	
52	New York University	University Athletic Association	New York	NY	
53	St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn)	Independent	Brooklyn	NY	
54	The City College of New York	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY	
55	William Smith/Hobart	Liberty League	Geneva	NY	
56	Castleton State College	North Atlantic Conference	Castleton	VT	
57	Green Mountain College	North Atlantic Conference	Poultney	VT	
58	Johnson State College	North Atlantic Conference	Johnson	VT	
59	Lyndon State College	North Atlantic Conference	Lyndonville	VT	
60	Middlebury College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Middlebury	VT	
61	Norwich University	Great Northeast Athletics Conference	Northfield	VT	
62	Southern Vermont College	New England Collegiate Conference	Bennington	VT	

Division III Women's and Men's Basketball Regional Alignment

The men's and women's basketball committee worked together to develop the attached plan for regional alignment. The committees followed the charge by the Championship Committee in respect to these three tenants:

1. All members of a conference are aligned in same sport region unless there was a conference exception granted;
2. Equitable number of teams in each sport region as much as possible;
3. Consistent nomenclature for sport regions.

The committees note that there may be some possible concern generated from institutions in the East and Northeast. One of the challenges the committee faced was trying to take conferences from the Northeast to the East and Mid-Atlantic to better balance these numbers. This means that teams that traditionally competed against one another in the same region no longer will do so. The two conferences the committee decided to move from the Northeast Region were the Commonwealth Coast Conference and the Great Northeast Conference.

The committee realizes that in 2013-14 with the criteria changing to move all Division III games into the primary and with increasing the regional competition to a required 70% that this will likely negate any concern generated from these regional moves. However, change is difficult for everyone and balancing one variable can have a domino effect at times.

The new regional alignment plan as presented below and shown on Attachment A would allow the following numbers for each of the regions:

Region	**Men**	**Women**
Atlantic	48	50
Central	52	54
East	52	55
Great Lakes	59	60
Mid-Atlantic	46	49
Northeast	53	57
South	53	59
West	48	49

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Institution	Conference	City	State
CENTRAL REGION (M=52 / W=54)			
-9			
Blackburn College	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Carlinville	IL
Eureka College	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Eureka	IL
Fontbonne University	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	St. Louis	MO
Greenville College	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Greenville	IL
MacMurray College	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Jacksonville	IL
Principia College	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Elsah	IL
Spalding University	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Louisville	KY
Webster University	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Webster Groves	MO
Westminster College (Missouri)	St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Fulton	MO
-11			
Beloit College	Midwest Conference	Beloit	WI
Carroll University (Wisconsin)	Midwest Conference	Waukesha	WI
Cornell College	Midwest Conference	Mt. Vernon	IA
Grinnell College	Midwest Conference	Grinnell	IA
Illinois College	Midwest Conference	Jacksonville	IL
Knox College	Midwest Conference	Galesburg	IL
Lake Forest College	Midwest Conference	Lake Forest	IL
Lawrence University	Midwest Conference	Appleton	WI
Monmouth College (Illinois)	Midwest Conference	Monmouth	IL
Ripon College	Midwest Conference	Ripon	WI
St. Norbert College	Midwest Conference	De Pere	WI
-12/-13			
Alverno College (women only)	Northern Athletics Conference	Milwaukee	WI
Aurora University	Northern Athletics Conference	Aurora	IL
Benedictine University (Illinois)	Northern Athletics Conference	Lisle	IL
Concordia University (Wisconsin)	Northern Athletics Conference	Mequon	WI
Concordia University Chicago	Northern Athletics Conference	River Forest	IL
Dominican University (Illinois)	Northern Athletics Conference	River Forest	IL
Edgewood College	Northern Athletics Conference	Madison	WI
Lakeland College	Northern Athletics Conference	Sheboygan	WI
Maranatha Baptist Bible College	Northern Athletics Conference	Watertown	WI
Marian University (Wisconsin)	Northern Athletics Conference	Fond Du Lac	WI
Milwaukee School of Engineering	Northern Athletics Conference	Milwaukee	WI
Rockford College	Northern Athletics Conference	Rockford	IL
Wisconsin Lutheran College	Northern Athletics Conference	Milwaukee	WI
-8			
Augustana College (Illinois)	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Rock Island	IL
Carthage College	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Kenosha	WI
Elmhurst College	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Elmhurst	IL
Illinois Wesleyan University	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Bloomington	IL
Millikin University	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Decatur	IL
North Central College	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Naperville	IL
North Park University	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Chicago	IL
Wheaton College (Illinois)	College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin	Wheaton	IL
-9			
University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Eau Claire	WI
University of Wisconsin, La Crosse	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	La Crosse	WI
University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Oshkosh	WI
University of Wisconsin, Platteville	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Platteville	WI
University of Wisconsin, River Falls	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	River Falls	WI
University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Stevens Point	WI
University of Wisconsin, Stout	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Menomonie	WI
University of Wisconsin, Superior	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Superior	WI
University of Wisconsin, Whitewater	Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Whitewater	WI
-1/-2			
Finlandia University	Independent	Hancock	MI
Mt. Mary College (women only)	Independent	Milwaukee	WI

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Institution	Conference	City	State
-2			
University of Chicago	University Athletic Association	Chicago	IL
Washington University (Missouri)	University Athletic Association	St. Louis	MO

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Institution	Conference	City	State
ATLANTIC REGION (M=48 / W=50)			
-9			
Baruch College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY
Brooklyn College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Brooklyn	NY
College of Staten Island	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Staten Island	NY
Hunter College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY
John Jay College of Criminal Justice	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY
Lehman College, City University of New York	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Bronx	NY
Medgar Evers College	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Brooklyn	NY
The City College of New York	City University of New York Athletic Conference	New York	NY
York College (New York)	City University of New York Athletic Conference	Jamaica	NY
-10/-12			
Baptist Bible College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Clarks Summit	PA
Cabrini College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Radnor	PA
Cedar Crest College (women only)	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Allentown	PA
Centenary College (New Jersey)	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Hackettstown	NJ
Gwynedd-Mercy College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Gwynedd Valley	PA
Immaculata University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Immaculata	PA
Keystone College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	La Plume	PA
Marywood University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Scranton	PA
Neumann University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Aston	PA
Notre Dame of Maryland University (women only)	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Baltimore	MA
Philadelphia Biblical University	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Langhorne	PA
Rosemont College	Colonial States Athletic Conference	Rosemont	PA
-8			
DeSales University	Freedom Conference	Center Valley	PA
Delaware Valley College	Freedom Conference	Doylestown	PA
Eastern University	Freedom Conference	St. Davids	PA
Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham	Freedom Conference	Madison	NJ
King's College (Pennsylvania)	Freedom Conference	Wilkes-Barre	PA
Manhattanville College	Freedom Conference	Purchase	NY
Misericordia University	Freedom Conference	Dallas	PA
Wilkes University	Freedom Conference	Wilkes-Barre	PA
-10/-8			
College of Mount St. Vincent	Skyline Conference	Riverdale	NY
Mount Saint Mary College (New York)	Skyline Conference	Newburgh	NY
Polytechnic Institute of New York University	Skyline Conference	Brooklyn	NY
Purchase College, State University of New York	Skyline Conference	Purchase	NY
St. Joseph's College (Long Island)	Skyline Conference	Patchogue	NY
State University College at Old Westbury	Skyline Conference	Old Westbury College	NY
State University of New York at Farmingdale	Skyline Conference	Farmingdale	NY
State University of New York Maritime College (men only)	Skyline Conference	Throgs Neck	NY
The Sage Colleges	Skyline Conference	Troy	NY
Yeshiva University (women's team is Pool B)	Skyline Conference	New York	NY

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Institution	Conference	City	State
-10			
Kean University	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Union	NJ
Montclair State University	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Upper Montclair	NJ
New Jersey City University	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Jersey City	NJ
Ramapo College	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Mahwah	NJ
Richard Stockton College of New Jersey	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Pomona	NJ
Rowan University	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Glassboro	NJ
Rutgers, The State Univ. of New Jersey, Camden	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Camden	NJ
Rutgers, The State Univ. of New Jersey, Newark	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Newark	NJ
The College of New Jersey	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Ewing	NJ
William Paterson University of New Jersey	New Jersey Athletic Conference	Wayne	NJ
-1/-3			
St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn)	Independent	Brooklyn	NY
Trinity College DC (women only)	Independent	Washington	DC
Yeshiva University (men's team in Skyline Conf.)	Independent	New York	NY

GREAT LAKES REGION (M=59 / W=60)

-10			
D'Youville College	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Buffalo	NY
Franciscan University of Steubenville	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Steubenville	OH
Hilbert College	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Hamburg	NY
La Roche College	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Pittsburg	PA
Medaille College	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Buffalo	NY
Mount Aloysius College	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Cresson	PA
Penn State University, Altoona	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Altoona	PA
Pennsylvania State Univ. Erie, the Behrend College	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Erie	PA
University of Pittsburgh, Bradford	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Bradford	PA
University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg	Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference	Greensburg	PA
-10			
Anderson University (Indiana)	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Anderson	IN
Bluffton University	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Bluffton	OH
College of Mount St. Joseph	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Cincinnati	OH
Defiance College	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Defiance	OH
Earlham College	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Richmond	IN
Franklin College	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Franklin	IN
Hanover College	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Hanover	IN
Manchester College	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	North Manchester	IN
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Terre Haute	IN
Transylvania University	Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference	Lexington	KY
-8/-9			
Adrian College	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Adrian	MI
Albion College	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Albion	MI
Alma College	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Alma	MI
Calvin College	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Grand Rapids	MI
Hope College	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Holland	MI
Kalamazoo College	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Kalamazoo	MI
Olivet College	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Olivet	MI
Saint Mary's College (women only)	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Notre Dame	IN
Trine University	Michigan Intercol. Ath. Assn.	Angola	IN
-10/-9			
Allegheny College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Meadville	PA
College of Wooster	North Coast Athletic Conference	Wooster	OH
Denison University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Granville	OH
DePauw University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Greencastle	IN
Hiram College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Hiram	OH
Kenyon College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Grambier	OH
Oberlin College	North Coast Athletic Conference	Oberlin	OH
Ohio Wesleyan University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Delaware	OH
Wabash College (men only)	North Coast Athletic Conference	Crawfordsville	IN
Wittenberg University	North Coast Athletic Conference	Springfield	OH

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Institution	Conference	City	State
-10			
Baldwin-Wallace College	Ohio Athletic Conference	Berea	OH
Capital University	Ohio Athletic Conference	Columbus	OH
Heidelberg University	Ohio Athletic Conference	Tiffin	OH
John Carroll University	Ohio Athletic Conference	University Heights	OH
Marietta College	Ohio Athletic Conference	Marietta	OH
Mount Union College	Ohio Athletic Conference	Alliance	OH
Muskingum University	Ohio Athletic Conference	New Concord	OH
Ohio Northern University	Ohio Athletic Conference	Ada	OH
Otterbein University	Ohio Athletic Conference	Westerville	OH
Wilmington College (Ohio)	Ohio Athletic Conference	Wilmington	OH
-9/-10			
Bethany College (West Virginia)	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Bethany	WV
Chatham University (women only)	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Pittsburgh	PA
Geneva College	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Beaver Falls	PA
Grove City College	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Grove City	PA
Saint Vincent College	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Latrobe	PA
Thiel College	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Greenville	PA
Thomas More College	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Crestview Hills	KY
Washington and Jefferson College	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Washington	PA
Waynesburg University	Presidents' Athletic Conference	Waynesburg	PA
Westminster College (Pennsylvania)	Presidents' Athletic Conference	New Wilmington	PA
-2			
Carnegie Mellon University	Independent	Pittsburgh	PA
Case Western Reserve University	Independent	Cleveland	OH

EAST REGION (M=52 / W=55)

-10			
Curry College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Milton	MA
Eastern Nazarene College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Quincy	MA
Endicott College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Beverly	MA
Gordon College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Wenham	MA
Nichols College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Dudley	MA
Roger Williams University	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Bristol	RI
Salve Regina University	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Newport	RI
University of New England	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Bidderford	ME
Wentworth Institute of Technology	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Boston	MA
Western New England College	The Commonwealth Coast Conference	Springfield	MA
-8			
Alfred University	Empire 8	Alfred	NY
Elmira College	Empire 8	Elmira	NY
Hartwick College	Empire 8	Oneonta	NY
Ithaca College	Empire 8	Ithaca	NY
Nazareth College	Empire 8	Rochester	NY
St. John Fisher College	Empire 8	Rochester	NY
Stevens Institute of Technology	Empire 8	Hoboken	NJ
Utica College	Empire 8	Utica	NY
-9			
Bard College	Liberty League	Annandale-on-Hudson	NY
Clarkson University	Liberty League	Potsdam	NY
Hobart College (men only)	Liberty League	Geneva	NY
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Liberty League	Troy	NY
Rochester Institute of Technology	Liberty League	Rochester	NY
Skidmore College	Liberty League	Saratoga Springs	NY
St. Lawrence University	Liberty League	Canton	NY
Union College (New York)	Liberty League	Schenectady	NY
Vassar College	Liberty League	Poughkeepsie	NY
William Smith College (women only)	Liberty League	Geneva	NY
-11/-14			

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Institution	Conference	City	State
Albertus Magnus College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	New Haven	CT
Anna Maria College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Paxton	MA
Emerson College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Boston	MA
Emmanuel College (Massachusetts)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Boston	MA
Johnson and Wales University	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Providence	RI
Lasell College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Newton	MA
Mount Ida College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Newton Centre	MA
Norwich University	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Northfield	VT
Pine Manor College (women only)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Chestnut Hill	MA
Rivier College	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Nashua	NH
St. Joseph College (women only)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	West Hartford	CT
Saint Joseph's College (Maine)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Standish	ME
Simmons College (women only)	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Boston	MA
Suffolk University	Great Northeast Athletic Conference	Boston	MA
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Buffalo State College	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Buffalo	NY
College at Brockport, State University of New York	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Brockport	NY
Plattsburgh State University of New York	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Plattsburgh	NY
State University College at Fredonia	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Fredonia	NY
State University College at New Paltz	State University of New York Athletic Conference	New Paltz	NY
State University College at Oneonta	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Oneonta	NY
State University of New York at Cortland	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Cortland	NY
State University of New York at Geneseo	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Geneseo	NY
State University of New York at Oswego	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Oswego	NY
State University of New York at Potsdam	State University of New York Athletic Conference	Potsdam	NY
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College of New Rochelle	Independent	New Rochelle	NY
University of Rochester	University Athletic Association	Rochester	NY
Brandeis University	University Athletic Association	Waltham	MA
New York University	University Athletic Association	New York	NY

MID-ATLANTIC REGION (M=46 / W=49)

-10/-11			
Bryn Mawr College (women only)	Centennial Conference	Bryn Mawr	PA
Dickinson College	Centennial Conference	Carlisle	PA
Franklin & Marshall College	Centennial Conference	Lancaster	PA
Gettysburg College	Centennial Conference	Gettysburg	PA
Haverford College	Centennial Conference	Haverford	PA
Johns Hopkins University	Centennial Conference	Baltimore	MD
McDaniel College	Centennial Conference	Westminister	MD
Muhlenberg College	Centennial Conference	Allentown	PA
Swarthmore College	Centennial Conference	Swarthmore	PA
Ursinus College	Centennial Conference	Collegeville	PA
Washington College (Maryland)	Centennial Conference	Chestertown	MD
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Frostburg State University	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Frostburg	MD
Marymount University (Virginia)	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Arlington	VA
Salisbury University	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Salisbury	MD
St. Mary's College of Maryland	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	St. Marys City	MD
University of Mary Washington	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Fredericksburg	VA
Wesley College	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	Dover	DE
York College (Pennsylvania)	Capital Athletic Conference Inc.	York	PA
-10			
Albright College	Commonwealth Conference	Reading	PA
Alvernia University	Commonwealth Conference	Reading	PA
Arcadia University	Commonwealth Conference	Glenside	PA
Elizabethtown College	Commonwealth Conference	Elizaberthtown	PA
Hood College	Commonwealth Conference	Frederick	MD
Lebanon Valley College	Commonwealth Conference	Annville	PA
Lycoming College	Commonwealth Conference	Williamsport	PA

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Institution	Conference	City	State
Messiah College	Commonwealth Conference	Grantham	PA
Stevenson University	Commonwealth Conference	Stevenson	MD
Widener University	Commonwealth Conference	Chester	PA
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Catholic University	Landmark Conference	Washington	DC
Drew University	Landmark Conference	Madison	NJ
Goucher College	Landmark Conference	Townson	MD
Juniata College	Landmark Conference	Huntingdon	PA
Moravian College	Landmark Conference	Bethlehem	PA
Susquehanna University	Landmark Conference	Selinsgrove	PA
University of Scranton	Landmark Conference	Scranton	PA
U.S. Merchant Marine Academy	Landmark Conference	Kings Point	NY
-11/-13			
Cazenovia College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Cazenovia	NY
College of Saint Elizabeth (women only)	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Morristown	NJ
Gallaudet University	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Washington	DC
Keuka College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Keuka Park	NY
Lancaster Bible College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Lancaster	PA
Morrisville State College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Morrisville	NY
Penn State Berks College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Reading	PA
Penn State Harrisburg	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Middletown	PA
Penn State University, Abington	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Abington	PA
State University of New York at Cobleskill	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Cobleskill	NY
State University of New York Institute of Technology	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Utica	NY
Wells College	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Aurora	NY
Wilson College (women only)	North Eastern Athletic Conference	Chambersburg	PA

NORTHEAST REGION (M=53 / W=57)

-7			
Bridgewater State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Bridgewater	MA
Fitchburg State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Fitchburg	MA
Framingham State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Framingham	MA
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	North Adams	MA
Salem State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Salem	MA
Westfield State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Westfield	MA
Worcester State University	Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference	Worcester	MA
-9/-10			
Bay Path College (women only)	New England Collegiate Conference	Longmeadow	MA
Becker College	New England Collegiate Conference	Leicester	MA
Daniel Webster College	New England Collegiate Conference	Nashua	NH
Elms College	New England Collegiate Conference	Chicopee	MA
Lesley University	New England Collegiate Conference	Cambridge	MA
Mitchell College	New England Collegiate Conference	New London	CT
Newbury College	New England Collegiate Conference	Brookline	MA
Southern Vermont College	New England Collegiate Conference	Bennington	VT
Wheelock College	New England Collegiate Conference	Boston	MA
Regis College	New England Collegiate Conference	Weston	MA
-7/-10			
Babson College	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Babson Park	MA
Clark University (Massachusetts)	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Worcester	MA
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Cambridge	MA
Mount Holyoke College (women only)	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	South Hadley	MA
Smith College (women only)	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Northampton	MA
Springfield College	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Springfield	MA
U.S. Coast Guard Academy	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	New London	CT
Wellesley College (women only)	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Wellesley	MA
Wheaton College (Massachusetts)	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Norton	MA
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference	Worcester	MA
-8			
Eastern Connecticut State University	Little East Conference	Willimantic	CT

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Institution	Conference	City	State
Keene State College	Little East Conference	Keene	NH
Plymouth State University	Little East Conference	Plymouth	NH
Rhode Island College	Little East Conference	Providence	RI
University of Massachusetts, Boston	Little East Conference	Boston	MA
University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth	Little East Conference	North Dartmouth	MA
University of Southern Maine	Little East Conference	Gorham	ME
Western Connecticut State University	Little East Conference	Danbury	CT
-11			
Amherst College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Amherst	MA
Bates College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Lewiston	ME
Bowdoin College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Brunswick	ME
Colby College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Waterville	ME
Connecticut College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	New London	CT
Hamilton College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Clinton	NY
Middlebury College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Middlebury	VT
Trinity College (Connecticut)	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Hartford	CT
Tufts University	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Medford	MA
Wesleyan University (Connecticut)	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Middletown	CT
Williams College	New England Small College Athletic Conference	Williamstown	MA
-10			
Castleton State College	North Atlantic Conference	Castleton	VT
Colby-Sawyer College	North Atlantic Conference	New London	NH
Green Mountain College	North Atlantic Conference	Poultney	VT
Husson University	North Atlantic Conference	Bangor	ME
Johnson State College	North Atlantic Conference	Johnson	VT
Lyndon State College	North Atlantic Conference	Lyndonville	VT
Maine Maritime Academy	North Atlantic Conference	Castine	ME
New England College	North Atlantic Conference	Henniker	NH
Thomas College	North Atlantic Conference	Waterville	ME
University of Maine, Farmington	North Atlantic Conference	Farmington	ME
-1			
University of Maine at Presque Isle	Independent	Presque Isle	ME

SOUTH REGION (M=53 / W=59)

-12			
Concordia University Texas	American Southwest Conference	Austin	TX
East Texas Baptist University	American Southwest Conference	Marshall	TX
Hardin-Simmons University	American Southwest Conference	Abilene	TX
Howard Payne University	American Southwest Conference	Brownwood	TX
LeTourneau University	American Southwest Conference	Longview	TX
Louisiana College	American Southwest Conference	Pineville	LA
Mississippi College	American Southwest Conference	Clinton	MS
Sul Ross State University	American Southwest Conference	Alpine	TX
University of Mary Hardin-Baylor	American Southwest Conference	Belton	TX
University of Texas at Dallas	American Southwest Conference	Richardson	TX
University of Texas at Tyler	American Southwest Conference	Tyler	TX
University of the Ozarks (Arkansas)	American Southwest Conference	Clarksville	AR
-8			
Austin College	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	Sherman	TX
Colorado College	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	Colorado Springs	CO
Southwestern University (Texas)	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	Georgetown	TX
Trinity University (Texas)	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	San Antonio	TX
University of Dallas	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	Irving	TX
Schreiner University	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	Kerrville	TX
Texas Lutheran University	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference	Seguin	TX
Centenary College (Louisiana)	Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference		
-0/-4			
Agnes Scott College (women only)	Great South Athletic Conference	Decatur	GA
Salem College (women only)	Great South Athletic Conference	Winston Salem	NC

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Institution	Conference	City	State
Spellman College (women only)	Great South Athletic Conference	Atlanta	GA
Wesleyan College GA (women only)	Great South Athletic Conference	Macon	GA

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Institution	Conference	City	State
-12/-11			
Bridgewater College (Virginia)	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Bridgewater	VA
Eastern Mennonite University	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Harrisonburg	VA
Emory and Henry College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Emory	VA
Guilford College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Greensboro	NC
Hampden-Sydney College (men only)	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Hampden-Sydney	VA
Lynchburg College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Lynchburg	VA
Randolph College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Lynchburg	VA
Randolph-Macon College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Ashland	VA
Roanoke College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Salem	VA
Shenandoah University	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Winchester	VA
Virginia Wesleyan College	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Norfolk	VA
Washington and Lee University	Old Dominion Athletic Conf.	Lexington	VA
-8			
Berry College	Southern Athletic Association	Mount Berry	GA
Birmingham-Southern College	Southern Athletic Association	Birmingham	AL
Centre College	Southern Athletic Association	Danville	KY
Hendrix College	Southern Athletic Association	Conway	AR
Millsaps College	Southern Athletic Association	Jackson	MS
Oglethorpe University	Southern Athletic Association	Atlanta	GA
Rhodes College	Southern Athletic Association	Memphis	TN
University of the South	Southern Athletic Association	Sewanee	TX
-11/-14			
Averett University	USA South Athletic Conference	Danville	VA
Christopher Newport University	USA South Athletic Conference	Newport News	VA
Covenant College	USA South Athletic Conference	Lookout Mountain	GA
Ferrum College	USA South Athletic Conference	Ferrum	VA
Greensboro College	USA South Athletic Conference	Greensboro	NC
Huntingdon College	USA South Athletic Conference	Montgomery	AL
Mary Baldwin College (women only)	USA South Athletic Conference	Staunton	VA
Meredith College	USA South Athletic Conference	Raleigh	NC
Methodist University (women only)	USA South Athletic Conference	Fayetteville	NC
North Carolina Wesleyan College	USA South Athletic Conference	Rocky Mount	NC
La Grange College	USA South Athletic Conference	LaGrange	GA
Maryville College (Tennessee)	USA South Athletic Conference	Maryville	TN
Peace College (women only)	USA South Athletic Conference	Raleigh	NC
Piedmont College	USA South Athletic Conference	Demorest	GA
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Emory University	University Athletic Association	Atlanta	GA
Rust College	Independent	Holly Springs	MS

WEST (M=48 / W=49)

-8			
Buena Vista University	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Storm Lake	IA
Central College (Iowa)	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Pella	IA
Coe College	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Cedar Rapids	IA
Loras College	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Dubuque	IA
Luther College	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Decorah	IA
Simpson College	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Indianola	IA
University of Dubuque	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Dubuque	IA
Wartburg College	Iowa Intercol. Athletic Conf.	Waverly	IA
-11/-12			
Augsburg College	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Minneapolis	MN
Bethel University	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Arden Hills	MN
Carleton College	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Northfield	MN
College of St. Benedict (women)	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	St. Joseph	MN
Concordia College, Moorhead	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Moorhead	MN
Gustavus Adolphus College	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	St. Peter	MN
Hamline University	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	St. Paul	MN

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Institution	Conference	City	State
Macalester College	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	St. Paul	MN
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Winona	MN
St. Catherine's University (women only)	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	St. Paul	MN
St. John's University (Minnesota) (men only)	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Collegeville	MN
St. Olaf College	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Northfield	MN
University of St. Thomas (Minnesota)	Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	St. Paul	MN

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Institution	Conference	City	State
	-9		
George Fox University	Northwest Conference	Newberg	OR
Lewis & Clark College	Northwest Conference	Portland	OR
Linfield College	Northwest Conference	McMinnville	OR
Pacific Lutheran University	Northwest Conference	Tacoma	WA
Pacific University (Oregon)	Northwest Conference	Forest Grove	OR
University of Puget Sound	Northwest Conference	Tacoma	WA
Whitman College	Northwest Conference	Walla Walla	WA
Whitworth University	Northwest Conference	Spokane	WA
Willamette University	Northwest Conference	Salem	OR
	-9		
California Institute of Technology	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Pasdena	CA
California Lutheran University	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Thousand Oaks	CA
Chapman University	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Orange	CA
Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Claremont	CA
Occidental College	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Los Angeles	CA
Pomona-Pitzer Colleges	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Claremont	CA
University of La Verne	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	La Verne	CA
University of Redlands	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Redlands	CA
Whittier College	Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conf.	Whittier	CA
	-8		
Bethany Lutheran College	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	Mankato	MN
Crown College (MN)	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	St. Bonifacius	MN
Martin Luther College	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	New Ulm	MN
Northland College	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	Ashland	WI
Northwestern College	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	Saint Paul	MN
Presentation College	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	Aberdeen	SD
The College of St. Scholastica	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	Duluth	MN
University of Minnesota, Morris	Upper Midwest Athletic Conference	Morris	MN
	-3		
University of California, Santa Cruz	Independent	Santa Cruz	CA
Nebraska Wesleyan University	Independent	Lincoln	NE
North Central University	Independent	Minneapolis	MN

Division III Men's and Women's Golf
Summary of Proposed Changes for Regional Alignment

Men's Golf

The committee will look to move the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference from the Central to the South region and potentially the President's Athletic Conference from the Mid-Atlantic region to the Great Lakes region. Both of these moves would help to balance the regions. It was noted that the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference will be placed in the West region for all their schools while the schools in the Southern Athletic Association will be placed in the South region.

Women's Golf

The committee recommends moving Allegheny College from the East region to the Great Lakes region. Allegheny is a member of the North Coast Athletic conference and the other six members of that conference are in the Great Lakes region. The committee also recommends moving Huntingdon College from the Great Lakes region to the East region. Huntingdon is a member of the Great South Athletic Conference and the other two members of that conference are in the East region.

* Due to the limited number of proposed changes and the low in-region requirement (i.e., 25%), the men's and women's golf committee recommends immediate implementation for the 2013 championships.

Division III Men's and Women's Soccer
Summary of Proposed Changes for 2013-14 Regional Alignment

- Allegheny Mountain CC – Aligned to Great Lakes only
- North Eastern Athletic Conference – Aligned to Mid-Atlantic only
- University Athletic Association – Aligned to East, Great Lakes, and New England only

Refer to Attachment A for complete listing of sponsoring institutions by proposed region.

Sponsorship Per Region				Ranking at 15%	
Region	**All**	**Men**	**Women**	**Men**	**Women**
Central	39	37	39	6	6
East	50	48	46	7	7
Great Lakes	56	55	55	8	8
Mid-Atlantic	62	57	61	9	9
New England	83	77	83	12	12
North	53	46	52	7	8
South Atlantic	58	51	57	8	9
West	38	36	36	6	6
Conferences in Multiple Regions					
	All	**Men**	**Women**		
University Athletic Association	3	3	3		
East, Great Lakes and New England					

Division III Softball
Summary of Proposed Changes for 2013-14 Regional Alignment

- Moved all AMCC members to the East region.
- Moved all American Southwest Conference members to the West region.
- Moved the Centennial Conference from the East region to the Atlantic region.
- Moved the Landmark Conference from the East region to the Atlantic region.
- Moved all NEAC members to the Northeast region.
- Moved the NESCAC from the New England region to the Northeast region.
- Moved all SCAC members to the West region.
- Moved the Skyline Conference from the Atlantic region to the Northeast region.
- Included the new Southern Athletic Association in the Atlantic region.
- Moved UAA members so that conference members are split between two regions instead of five regions: Case Western Reserve, University of Chicago, Emory and Washington University in St. Louis in the Central region, and Brandeis in the East region.
- Moved Nebraska Wesleyan from the Midwest region to the West region.
- The committee noted that the changes resulted in a more equitable distribution of institutions in each sport region (i.e., a range of 37-60 teams in each region instead of 31-69 teams).

NCAA DIVISION III SOFTBALL
REGIONAL ALIGNMENT RECOMMENDED FOR 2013-14

ATLANTIC REGION

Pool A Conferences (7)	Institutions in Conferences (50)	Pool B Independents (8)
Capital Athletic Conference (7)	Christopher Newport University Frostburg State University University of Mary Washington Penn State Harrisburg Salisbury University Wesley College York College (Pennsylvania)	Rust College **Southern Athletic Association (7)** Berry College Birmingham-Southern College Centre College Hendrix College (Arkansas) Millsaps College Rhodes College University of the South
Centennial Conference (9)	Dickinson College Franklin & Marshall College Gettysburg College Haverford College McDaniel College Muhlenberg College Swarthmore College Ursinus College Washington College (Maryland)	
Great South Athletic Conference (6)	Agnes Scott College Covenant College Huntingdon College Salem College Spelman College Wesleyan College (Georgia)	
Landmark Conference (6)	Catholic University Drew University Juniata College Moravian College University of Scranton Susquehanna University	
Old Dominion Athletic Conference (11)	Bridgewater College (Virginia) Eastern Mennonite University Emory and Henry College Guilford College Lynchburg College Randolph College Randolph-Macon College Roanoke College Shenandoah University Sweet Briar College Virginia Wesleyan College	
USA South Athletic Conference (11)	Averett University Ferrum College Greensboro College LaGrange College Mary Baldwin College Maryville College (Tennessee) Meredith College Methodist College North Carolina Wesleyan College Piedmont College William Peace University	

CENTRAL REGION

Pool A Conferences (5)	Institutions in Conferences (47)	Pool B Independents (4)
Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (9)	Anderson University (Indiana) Bluffton University Defiance College Franklin College Hanover College Manchester College College of Mount St. Joseph Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Transylvania University	**Case Western Reserve University (UAA) ** University of Chicago (UAA) ** Emory University (UAA) ** Washington University (Missouri) (UAA)
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (9)	Adrian College Albion College Alma College Calvin College Hope College Kalamazoo College Olivet College Saint Mary's College (Indiana) Trine University	
North Coast Athletic Conference (9)	Allegheny College Denison University DePauw University Hiram College Kenyon College Oberlin College Ohio Wesleyan University Wittenberg University College of Wooster	
Ohio Athletic Conference (10)	Baldwin-Wallace College Capital University Heidelberg College John Carroll University Marietta College University of Mount Union Muskingum University Ohio Northern University Otterbein College Wilmington College (Ohio)	
Presidents' Athletic Conference (10)	Bethany College (West Virginia) Chatham University Geneva College Grove City College Saint Vincent College Thiel College Thomas More College Washington and Jefferson College Waynesburg College Westminster College (Pennsylvania)	

** University Athletic Association is noted in Pool B in two regions.

EAST REGION

Pool A Conferences (6)	Institutions in Conferences (57)	Pool B Independents (2)
Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (10)	D'Youville College Franciscan University of Steubenville Hilbert College LaRoche College Medaille College Mount Aloysius College Penn State University, Altoona Penn State University Erie, the Behrend College University of Pittsburgh, Bradford University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg	** Brandeis University (UAA) St. Joseph's College (Brooklyn) (Ind)
City University of New York Athletic Conference (7)	Baruch College Brooklyn College Hunter College John Jay College of Criminal Justice Lehman College, City University of New York College of Staten Island York College (New York)	
Colonial States Athletic Conference (12)	Baptist Bible College Cabrini College Cedar Crest College Centenary College (New Jersey) Gwynedd-Mercy College Immaculata University Keystone College Marywood University Neumann College Notre Dame of Maryland University Philadelphia Biblical University Rosemont College	
Commonwealth Conference (10)	Albright College Alvernia College Arcadia University Elizabethtown College Hood College Lebanon Valley College Lycoming College Messiah College Stevenson University Widener University	
Freedom Conference (8)	Delaware Valley College DeSales University Eastern University Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham King's College (Pennsylvania) Manhattanville College Misericordia University Wilkes University	
New Jersey Athletic Conference (10)	Kean University Montclair State University New Jersey City University The College of New Jersey Ramapo College Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Rowan University Rutgers, State University of New Jersey, Camden Rutgers, State University of New Jersey, Newark William Paterson University of New Jersey	

** University Athletic Association is noted in Pool B in two regions.

GREAT LAKES REGION

Pool A Conferences (4)	Institutions in Conferences (41)	Pool B Independents (2)
College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (8)	Augustana College (Illinois) Carthage College Elmhurst College Illinois Wesleyan University Millikin University North Central College North Park University Wheaton College (Illinois)	Finlandia University Mount Mary College
Midwest Conference (11)	Beloit College Carroll University (Wisconsin) Cornell College Grinnell College Illinois College Knox College Lake Forest College Lawrence University Monmouth College (Illinois) Ripon College St. Norbert College	
Northern Athletics Conference (13)	Alverno College Aurora University Benedictine University (Illinois) Concordia University Chicago Concordia University (Wisconsin) Dominican University (Illinois) Edgewood College Lakeland College Maranatha Baptist Bible College Marian University (Wisconsin) Milwaukee School of Engineering Rockford College Wisconsin Lutheran College	
Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)	University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire University of Wisconsin, La Crosse University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh University of Wisconsin, Platteville University of Wisconsin, River Falls University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point University of Wisconsin, Stout University of Wisconsin, Superior University of Wisconsin, Whitewater	

MIDWEST REGION

Pool A Conferences (4)	Institutions in Conferences (37)	Pool B Independents (1)
Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (8)	Buena Vista University Central College (Iowa) Coe College University of Dubuque Loras College Luther College Simpson College Wartburg College	North Central University
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (12)	Augsburg College Bethel University (Minnesota) Carleton College Concordia College, Moorhead Gustavus Adolphus College Hamline University Macalester College College of St. Benedict St. Catherine University Saint Mary's University of Minnesota St. Olaf College University of St. Thomas (Minnesota)	
St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)	Blackburn College Eureka College Fontbonne University Greenville College MacMurray College Principia College Spalding University Webster University Westminster College (Missouri)	
Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (8)	Bethany Lutheran College Crown College (Minnesota) Martin Luther College University of Minnesota, Morris Northland College Northwestern College Presentation College The College of St. Scholastica	

NEW ENGLAND REGION

Pool A Conferences (7)	Institutions in Conferences (54)	Pool B Independents (1)
Commonwealth Coast Conference (10)	Curry College Eastern Nazarene College Endicott College Gordon College University of New England Nichols College Roger Williams University Salve Regina University Wentworth Institute of Technology Western New England College	University of Maine at Presque Isle
Little East Conference (8)	Eastern Connecticut State University Keene State College University of Massachusetts, Boston University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth Plymouth State College Rhode Island College University of Southern Maine Western Connecticut State University	
Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (8)	Bridgewater State University Fitchburg State University Framingham State University Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Massachusetts Maritime Academy Salem State University Westfield State University Worcester State University	
New England Collegiate Conference (10)	Bay Path College Becker College Daniel Webster College Elms College Lesley University Mitchell College Newbury College Regis College (Massachusetts) Southern Vermont College Wheelock College	
New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference (9)	Babson College Clark University (Massachusetts) Massachusetts Institute of Technology Smith College Springfield College U.S. Coast Guard Academy Wellesley College Wheaton College (Massachusetts) Worcester Polytechnic Institute	
North Atlantic Conference (9)	Castleton State College Green Mountain College Husson College Johnson State College Lyndon State College Maine Maritime Academy University of Maine, Farmington New England College Thomas College	

** University Athletic Association is noted in Pool B in several regions with the number of institutions in each region listed in Pool B.

NORTHEAST REGION

Pool A Conferences (5)	Institutions in Conferences (60)	Pool B Independents (7)
Empire 8 (7)	Alfred University Elmira College Ithaca College Nazareth College St. John Fisher College Stevens Institute of Technology Utica College	College of New Rochelle **Liberty League (6)** Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute University of Rochester Rochester Institute of Technology St. Lawrence University Skidmore College Union College (New York)
Great Northeast Athletic Conference (14)	Albertus Magnus College Anna Maria College Emerson College Emmanuel College (Massachusetts) Johnson and Wales University Lassell College Mount Ida College Norwich University Pine Manor College Rivier College St. Joseph College (Connecticut) Saint Joseph's College (Maine) Simmons College Suffolk University	
New England Small College Athletic Conference (10)	Amherst College Bates College Bowdoin College Colby College Hamilton College Middlebury College Trinity College (Connecticut) Tufts University Wesleyan University (Connecticut) Williams College	
North Eastern Athletic Conference (11)	Cazenovia College Gallaudet University Keuka College Morrisville State College State University of New York at Cobleskill State University of New York Institute of Technology Penn State University, Abington Penn State Berks College College of Saint Elizabeth Wells College Wilson College	
Skyline Conference (8)	State University of New York at Farmingdale Mount Saint Mary College (New York) College of Mount St. Vincent State University College at Old Westbury Polytechnic Institute of New York University Purchase College, State University of New York The Sage Colleges St. Joseph's College (Long Island)	
State University of New York Athletic Conference (10)	College of Brockport, State University of New York Buffalo State College State University College at Cortland State University College at Fredonia State University College at Geneseo State University College at New Paltz State University College at Oneonta State University College at Oswego Plattsburgh State University of New York State University of New York at Potsdam	

WEST REGION

Pool A Conferences (4)	Institutions in Conferences (34)	Pool B Independents (1)
American Southwest Conference (14)	Concordia University Texas East Texas Baptist University Hardin-Simmons University Howard Payne University LeTourneau University Louisiana College University of Mary Hardin-Baylor Mississippi College University of the Ozarks (Arkansas) Schreiner University Sul Ross State University Texas Lutheran University University of Texas at Dallas University of Texas at Tyler	Nebraska Wesleyan University
Northwest Conference (8)	George Fox University Lewis & Clark College Linfield College Pacific Lutheran University Pacific University (Oregon) University of Puget Sound Whitworth College Willamette University	
Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (8)	California Lutheran University Chapman University Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges University of La Verne Occidental College Pomona-Pitzer Colleges University of Redlands Whittier College	
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (4)	Austin College University of Dallas Southwestern University (Texas) Trinity University (Texas)	

Division III Women's Volleyball
Summary of Proposed Changes for 2013-14 Regional Alignment

- Moved all AMCC members to the Mid-Atlantic region (i.e., moved D'Youville from the New York region to the Mid-Atlantic region).
- Moved all NEAC members to the New York region (i.e., moved Gallaudet, Lancaster Bible, Penn State Berks and Penn State Abington from the Mid-Atlantic region to the New York region).
- Included the new Southern Athletic Association in the South region.
- Moved UAA members so that the conference is split between two regions instead of seven regions: Carnegie Mellon, Case Western Reserve, University of Chicago and Washington University in St. Louis in the Great Lakes region, and Brandeis, Emory, New York University and the University of Rochester in the Mid-Atlantic region. The committee believes the current alignment, with UAA institutions in seven different sport regions, provides those institutions competitive advantages (e.g., greater opportunity to be ranked high in each region, greater opportunity to host regional competition due to regional ranking, and greater opportunity for postseason awards) because they are not compared to and in competition with other UAA members in the region for limited regional hosting opportunities and awards.

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REGIONAL ALIGNMENT RECOMMENDED FOR 2013-14

CENTRAL REGION

Pool A Conferences (4)	Institutions in AQ Conferences (37)	Pool B Independents (2)
Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (8)	Buena Vista University Central College (Iowa) Coe College University of Dubuque Loras College Luther College Simpson College Wartburg College	Nebraska Wesleyan University North Central University
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (12)	Augsburg College Bethel University (Minnesota) Carleton College Concordia College, Moorhead Gustavus Adolphus College Hamline University Macalester College College of St. Benedict St. Catherine University Saint Mary's University of Minnesota St. Olaf College University of St. Thomas (Minnesota)	
St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)	Blackburn College Eureka College Fontbonne University Greenville College MacMurray College Principia College Spalding University Webster University Westminster College (Missouri)	
Upper Midwest Conference (8)	Bethany Lutheran College Crown College (MN) Martin Luther College University of Minnesota, Morris Northland College Northwestern College Presentation College College of St. Scholastica	

GREAT LAKES REGION

Pool A Conferences (6)	Institutions in AQ Conferences (52)	Pool B Independents (0)
Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference (10)	Anderson University (Indiana) Bluffton University Defiance College Earlham College Franklin College Hanover College Manchester College College of Mount St. Joseph Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Transylvania University	
Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (9)	Adrian College Albion College Alma College Calvin College Hope College Kalamazoo College Olivet College Saint Mary's College (Indiana) Trine University	
North Coast Athletic Conference (9)	Allegheny College Denison University DePauw University Hiram College Kenyon College Oberlin College Ohio Wesleyan University Wittenberg University College of Wooster	
Ohio Athletic Conference (10)	Baldwin-Wallace College Capital University Heidelberg College John Carroll University Marietta College University of Mount Union Muskingum College Ohio Northern University Otterbein College Wilmington College (Ohio)	
Presidents' Athletic Conference (10)	Bethany College (West Virginia) Chatham University Geneva College Grove City College Saint Vincent College Thiel College Thomas More College Washington and Jefferson College Waynesburg College Westminster College (Pennsylvania)	
University Athletic Association (4*)	Carnegie Mellon University Case Western Reserve University University of Chicago Washington University in St. Louis	

* University Athletic Association is noted in Pool A in two regions.

MID-ATLANTIC REGION

Pool A Conferences (8)	Institutions in AQ Conferences (71)	Pool B Independents (0)
Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference (10)	D'Youville College Franciscan University of Steubenville Hilbert College La Roche College Medaille College Mount Aloysius College Penn State University, Altoona Pennsylvania State University, Erie, the Behrend College University of Pittsburgh, Bradford University of Pittsburgh, Greensburg	
Capital Athletic Conference Inc. (9)	Christopher Newport University Frostburg State University University of Mary Washington Marymount University (Virginia) Penn State Harrisburg Salisbury University St. Mary's College of Maryland Wesley College York College (Pennsylvania)	
Centennial Conference (11)	Bryn Mawr College Dickinson College Franklin & Marshall College Gettysburg College Haverford College Johns Hopkins University McDaniel College Muhlenberg College Swarthmore College Ursinus College Washington College (Maryland)	
Colonial States Athletic Conference (12)	Baptist Bible College Cabrini College Cedar Crest College Centenary (New Jersey) Gwynedd-Mercy College Immaculata University Keystone College Marywood University Neumann College Notre Dame of Maryland University Philadelphia Bible College Rosemont College	
Commonwealth Conference (10)	Albright College Alvernia College Arcadia University Elizabethtown College Hood College Lebanon Valley College Lycoming College Messiah College Stevenson University Widener University	
Freedom Conference (8)	Delaware Valley College DeSales University Eastern University Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florham King's College (Pennsylvania) Manhattanville College Misericordia University Wilkes University	
Landmark Conference (7)	Catholic University Goucher College Juniata College Moravian College University of Scranton Susquehanna University U.S. Merchant Marine Academy	
University Athletic Association (4*)	Brandeis University Emory University New York University University of Rochester	

* University Athletic Association is noted in Pool A in two regions.

MIDWEST REGION

Pool A Conferences (4)	Institutions in Conferences (41)	Pool B Independents (2)
College Conference of Illinois & Wisconsin (8)	Augustana College (Illinois) Carthage College Elmhurst College Illinois Wesleyan University Millikin University North Central College North Park University Wheaton College (Illinois)	Finlandia University Mount Mary College
Midwest Conference (11)	Beloit College Carroll College (Wisconsin) Cornell College Grinnell College Illinois College Knox College Lake Forest College Lawrence University Monmouth College (Illinois) Ripon College St. Norbert College	
Northern Athletics Conference (13)	Alverno College Aurora University Benedictine University (Illinois) Concordia University Chicago Concordia University (Wisconsin) Dominican University (Illinois) Edgewood College Lakeland College Maranatha Baptist Bible College Marian University (Wisconsin) Milwaukee School of Engineering Rockford College Wisconsin Lutheran College	
Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)	University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire University of Wisconsin, La Crosse University of Wisconsin, Oshkosh University of Wisconsin, Platteville University of Wisconsin, River Falls University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point University of Wisconsin, Stout University of Wisconsin, Superior University of Wisconsin, Whitewater	

NEW ENGLAND REGION

Pool A Conferences (8)	Institutions in Conferences (75)	Pool B Independents (2)
Commonwealth Coast Conference (11)	Anna Maria College Colby-Sawyer College Eastern Nazarene College Endicott College Gordon College University of New England Regis College (Massachusetts) Roger Williams University Salve Regina University Wentworth Institute of Technology Western New England College	Curry College University of Maine at Presque Isle
Great Northeast Athletic Conference (13)	Albertus Magnus College Emerson College Emmanuel College (Massachusetts) Johnson and Wales University Lasell College Mount Ida College Norwich University Pine Manor College Rivier College Simmons College St. Joseph College (Connecticut) Saint Joseph's College (Maine) Suffolk University	
Little East Conference (8)	Eastern Connecticut State University Keene State College University of Massachusetts, Boston University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth Plymouth State University Rhode Island College University of Southern Maine Western Connecticut State University	
Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference (7)	Bridgewater State University Framingham State University Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts Massachusetts Maritime Academy Salem State University Westfield State University Worcester State University	
New England Collegiate Conference (8)	Bay Path College Becker College Daniel Webster College Elms College Lesley University Mitchell College Newbury College Southern Vermont College	
New England Small College Athletic Conference (11)	Amherst College Bates College Bowdoin College Colby College Connecticut College Hamilton College Middlebury College Trinity College (Connecticut) Tufts University Wesleyan University (Connecticut) Williams College	
New England Women's & Men's Athletic Conference (10)	Babson College Clark University (Massachusetts) Massachusetts Institute of Technology Mount Holyoke College Smith College Springfield College U.S. Coast Guard Academy Wellesley College Wheaton College (Massachusetts) Worcester Polytechnic Institute	
North Atlantic Conference (7)	Castleton State College Green Mountain College Husson College Johnson State College Lyndon State College Maine Maritime Academy University of Maine, Farmington	

NEW YORK REGION

Pool A Conferences (7)	Institutions in Conferences (62)	Pool B Independents (3)
City University of New York Athletic Conference (9)	Baruch College Brooklyn College City College of New York Hunter College John Jay College of Criminal Justice Lehman College, City University of New York Medgar Evers College College of Staten Island York College (New York)	College of New Rochelle St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn Yeshiva University
Empire 8 (8)	Alfred University Elmira College Hartwick College Ithaca College Nazareth College St. John Fisher College Stevens Institute of Technology Utica College	
Liberty League (7)	Bard College Clarkson University Rochester Institute of Technology Skidmore College St. Lawrence University Union College (New York) Vassar College	
New Jersey Athletic Conference (9)	Kean University Montclair State University New Jersey City University Ramapo College Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Rowan University Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Camden Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Newark William Paterson University of New Jersey	
North Eastern Athletic Conference (10)	Cazenovia College Gallaudet University Keuka College Lancaster Bible College Morrisville State College Penn State University, Abington Penn State Berks College College of Saint Elizabeth State University of New York at Cobleskill State University of New York Institute of Technology	
Skyline Conference (9)	State University of New York at Farmingdale State University of New York Maritime College Mount Saint Mary College (New York) College of Mount St. Vincent State University College at Old Westbury Polytechnic Institute of New York University Purchase College, State University of New York The Sage Colleges St. Joseph's College (Long Island)	
State University of New York Athletic Conference (10)	College of Brockport, State University of New York Buffalo State College State University College at Cortland State University College at Fredonia State University College at New Paltz State University College at Oneonta State University of New York at Geneseo State University of New York at Oswego Plattsburgh State University of New York State University College at Potsdam	

SOUTH REGION

Pool A Conferences (6)	Institutions in Conferences (45)	Pool B Independents (10)
American Southwest Conference (12)	Concordia University Texas East Texas Baptist University Hardin-Simmons University Howard Payne University LeTourneau University University of Mary Hardin-Baylor Mississippi College Schreiner University Sul Ross State University Texas Lutheran University University of Texas at Dallas University of Texas at Tyler	Rust College Trinity College (District of Columbia) **Southern Athletic Association (8)** Berry College Birmingham-Southern College Centre College Hendrix College Millsaps College Oglethorpe University Rhodes College University of the South **<u>Reclassifying to DII</u>** McMurry University (active 14-15)
Great South Athletic Conference (6)	Agnes Scott College Covenant College Huntingdon College Salem College Spelman College Wesleyan College (Georgia)	
Old Dominion Athletic Conference (12)	Bridgewater College (Virginia) Eastern Mennonite University Emory and Henry College Guilford College Hollins University Lynchburg College Randolph College Randolph-Macon College Roanoke College Shenandoah University Virginia Wesleyan College Washington and Lee University	
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (4#)	Austin College University of Dallas Southwestern University (Texas) Trinity University (Texas)	
USA South Athletic Conference (11)	Averett University Ferrum College Greensboro College La Grange College Mary Baldwin College Maryville College (Tennessee) Meredith College Methodist University Piedmont College North Carolina Wesleyan College William Peace University	

Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference is noted in Pool A in 2 regions.

WEST REGION

Pool A Conferences (3)	Institutions in Conferences (19)	Pool B Independents (2)
Northwest Conference (9)	George Fox University Lewis & Clark College Linfield College Pacific Lutheran University Pacific University (Oregon) University of Puget South Whitman College Whitworth University Willamette University	University of California, Santa Cruz Mills College (NAIA)
Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (9)	California Institute of Technology California Lutheran University Chapman University Claremont McKenna-Harvey Mudd-Scripps Colleges University of La Verne Occidental College Pomona-Pitzer Colleges University of Redlands Whittier College	
Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (1#)	Colorado College	

Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference is noted in Pool A in 2 regions.

2012 Division III *Men's Golf* Championship Report

SPORT: Men's Golf

Championship Site: Mission Inn Golf and Tennis Resort, Howie-in-the-Hills, FL

Please describe how things went in each of the following categories:

1. Rankings: Rankings went well with no major issues. The RAC balloting was ok. We had several RAC members who were either unable to get on a computer during the call or missed calls because of another job. There are some golf coaches that are not full time at the university and it can be challenging for RAC members to get to a computer to do the RAC balloting.

2. Selections: Selections went well with no major issues. The typical calls/emails come in but the committee felt comfortable with their selections.

3. Banquet. The banquet went very well on site at the venue.

4. Hotels: the hotel was good….it is on site which makes it very convenient for student-athletes and coaches.

5. Facilities: one of the two courses is very good and very spectator friendly. The second course had its challenges due to the routing of the course and the need for several player shuttles.

6. Games/Competition: the competition was good with one team jumping out to a huge lead and sort of ran away from the competition. Good battle for second place on the final day.

7. Officiating: a few issues with the administration of the pace of play but it got better as the championship went along.

8. Student Athlete Mementos: Good.

9. Press Conference: NA

10. Media Coverage: Media coverage was limited.

11. Division III Identity activation. Was the Identity video shown at the banquet? Was Identity-specific signage displayed at the championship? Yes

2012 Division III Men's Championship Report

SPORT: Men's Lacrosse

Championship Site: Gillette Stadium, Boston, Massachusetts

Please describe how things went in each of the following categories:

1. Rankings: No issues existed and the new RAC voting procedures were well received and efficient. The committee looks forward to ranking more teams going forward in the new formula.

2. Selections: The selection call went very well and was the most efficient to date. The RAC representatives participating in the call were well prepared and aided greatly.

3. Banquet. The banquet was held in conjunction with Division II and was a very nice presentation. The student-athletes were greeted by former collegiate players and current professional players.

4. Hotels: While the hotels were of a great quality, being in Boston and playing in Foxboro, some distance away, was a challenge. The police escorts made it efficient and memorable though.

5. Facilities: Gillette Stadium is a wonderful venue equipped with great technology.

6. Games/Competition: No issues.

7. Officiating: No issues.

8. Student Athlete Mementos: No specific feedback.

9. Press Conference: The coaches were professional and represented the division and their institutions very well.

10. Media Coverage: There was extensive media coverage which showcased the sport, division and NCAA very well.

11. Division III Identity activation. Was the Identity video shown at the banquet? Was Identity-specific signage displayed at the championship?

The divisional information was shared in-venue and at the banquet with information and signage on the video boards and ribbon boards. Additionally, we offered unique and memorable opportunities for our partners at Special Olympics.

2012 Division III *Women's Lacrosse* Championship Report

SPORT: Women's Lacrosse

Championship Site: Montclair State University, Montclair, New Jersey

Please describe how things went in each of the following categories:

1. Rankings: There were a few minor setbacks with the new RAC ranking procedures, but overall the rankings went smoothly.

2. Selections: Selections went well. There was more of a heated discussion on bracketing teams than what I anticipated; however, overall the bracket was very successful.

3. Banquet: Very successful. Great speakers, good food and brief.

4. Hotels: Team hotels were problematic. One of the hotels put one of the teams in all smoking rooms, which had to be resolved. In addition, the hotels could have been a little nicer. The hotels lacked the championship experience. The committee and I have since discussed this with Montclair and Montclair is looking into different accommodations for next year.

5. Facilities: No problems. The facilities were fabulous.

6. Games/Competition: The only problem with the games was that Montclair's scoreboard malfunctioned. We had a few unruly fans because of it, but they were escorted off the premises immediately.

7. Officiating: No problems. Great officiating.

8. Student Athlete Mementos: Spring is always the hardest with getting the student-athletes their mementos. I have not heard any other feedback though.

9. Press Conference: Terry Small, commissioner of the NJAC, ran the press conferences. He did a wonderful job handling all aspects of the press conferences.

10. Media Coverage: No issues.

10. Division III Identity activation. Was the Identity video shown at the banquet?

Yes.

Was Identity-specific signage displayed at the championship? Yes.

2012 Division III Spring Championship Report

SPORT: Rowing

Championship Site: West Windsor, New Jersey

Please describe how things went in each of the following categories:

1. Rankings: Rankings went well and the committee made not changes to regional rankings. The committee liked the use of Row2k.com as the score reporting site and found it much easier to use than the previous NCAA system.

2. Selections: Selections ran smoothly. Due to institutions under consideration, 3 of our 6 committee members were recused from the call, including the current chair. Elese Lebsack, the previous chair and current committee member, ran the call and lead the discussions. Cross comparison with Puget Sound from the west was difficult, as they had not directly raced anyone from the east.

3. Banquet. The MAAC raised extra funds to provide a boardwalk-themed pre-event to the banquet. A band was playing and stations were set up with games, pretzels, popcorn and a photo booth. The banquet buffet lines were quick and seamless. The banquet MC and guest speaker, Joe Piscapo, was not well received. Despite the LOC's efforts to prep him, his jokes and references were out of touch for our student-athletes. The coaches were also upset that the banquet began an hour later than normal due to the pre-event function.

4. Hotels: All DIII teams were housed in the same hotel property this year. Some were initially surprised by this, but ultimately enjoyed it. There were positive reviews on the hotel and accommodations, except that a few institutions were still in session and internet access was not included as part of the contract.

5. Facilities: The facilities at Mercer County Park were in great condition. Unlike previous years, there was a lot of space for spectators and boat storage, though many coaches seemed to prefer a tighter footprint. The larger footprint also required more expenses to create and contain space, as well as the need for golf carts.

6. Games/Competition: The racing was exciting and all ran smoothly. Williams College emerged as the champion for the 7th consecutive year.

7. Officiating: Rowing has a great core group of officials that regularly serve the championship. Chris Lang, our chief official, was a fantastic resource and leader for officials, the MAAC, the NCAA and the committees. A coach noted that they would like the opportunity to evaluate the officials post-championship as part of the evaluation process.

8. Student Athlete Mementos: No mementos were handed out on-site, which is an issue with this championship and other spring championships. The semester has generally ended or about to end, so students, particularly seniors, are no longer on campus when their mementos arrive to coaches. Several coaches admitted not sending mementos to seniors in the past since they were not back on campus and readily available to receive their memento.

9. Press Conference: No press conference was conducted.

10. Media Coverage: Media coverage of the championship was good. The media tent was full on race days, mostly with photographers. Ncaa.com had good daily coverage.

11. Division III Identity activation. Was the Identity video shown at the banquet? Was Identity-specific signage displayed at the championship? No videos were shown at the banquet (difficult with all three divisions). DIII signage was present for the Special Olympics activity.

2011-12 Division III Spring Championship Report

SPORT: Softball

Championship Site: Salem, Virginia

Please describe how things went in each of the following categories

1. Rankings: This was the first year that we conducted a RAC orientation session for all RAC members at the same time. The session was done via Webinar and sport committee members and RAC members provided positive feedback and thought it was beneficial for everyone to hear the same information regarding how to evaluate the selection criteria and compare teams. This also was the first year that RAC members utilized the new online balloting process, and they indicated that the system was user friendly. Given that the RAC rankings were published without any changes by the sport committee, the RAC chairs did a good job of communicating to the RACs if the national committee would have evaluated and ranked the teams differently. This resulted in consensus in the RAC rankings following the two practice rankings, and the official rankings by the RAC were consistent with team selections by the national committee. An analysis of the votes of the RAC members helped to focus the discussion of the national committee during rankings calls. We had one situation in which a RAC member's votes were inconsistent with the rest of the RAC. The committee chair joined the RAC call to reiterate how the selection criteria should be utilized and walked through team comparisons with the RAC members, and the issue was resolved.

2. Selections: There were no significant issues during team selections. This was the first year the committee used the online bracketing system to vote and it worked well. The regional hosts were confirmed April 13 and the hosts indicated that it was very helpful to them to know their status as a host three weeks prior to team selections in order to finalize plans (e.g., hotel reservations) for the championship.

3. Banquet: The banquet meal, venue, emcee and program were very good. The banquet was held at the Salem Civic Center as in previous years, but it was held in the arena this year, which provided much more room than the banquet room. The host hired a company to produce a video with footage of the teams that advanced to the championship, and the video was done well. The host SID worked with the SIDs from the regional sites to collect the footage and pictures, and the student-athletes and parents seemed to enjoy the video very much. A local Special Olympics team attended the banquet and the team members were recognized during the program and took pictures with the committee after the banquet.

4. Hotels: The team headquarters hotel was the Sheraton Roanoke Airport Hotel, which was extensively renovated in the past few years and was very nice. Wireless Internet was complimentary. The hotel staff struggled a bit to keep up with team breakfasts on the practice day. We instituted a staggered meal schedule for the rest of the week, which worked well. The hotels for the committee members and the umpires were very good.

5. Facilities: The Moyer Sports Complex is an excellent venue for the softball championship. The complex was named the ASA complex of the year for 2011 and received $2,000 of field maintenance products, which noticeably improved the quality of the

championship field. The complex has four fields and is very well maintained. The outfield fence is identical to the fence used for the Women's College World Series in Oklahoma City, and it looked great with the Division III Identity Initiative signage and flag pole banners. Hospitality for the teams, umpires, committee members and volunteers was very good.

6. Games/Competition: Competition was very good. We had no weather delays this year. The championship game was between two teams from the same conference: Linfield and Pacific Lutheran. It was the ninth time the teams had played each other this year.

7. Officiating: The officiating crew had solid performances. A member of the NCAA Softball Umpire Program staff served as the umpire-in-chief and evaluated and provided feedback to the crew each day.

8. Student-athlete Mementos: The student-athlete participation awards were a waterproof jacket and a pewter key tag.

9. Press Conference: J.J. Nekoloff, the sports information director for the Old Dominion Athletic Conference, did an excellent job of interviewing the coaches and student-athletes during press conferences. The ODAC staff recorded the interviews and posted them on the championship website.

10. Media Coverage: Media coverage and fan attendance was better this year than in previous years due to a team from the locale (Roanoke College) participating in the championship. The Turner webcasts for the softball championship were excellent. The announcers were professional and experienced, and the webcast was similar to a television broadcast. Many individuals commented on the high quality of the production.

11. Division III Identity activation. Was the Identity video shown at the banquet? Was Identity-specific signage displayed at the championship? Did the championship include any activation with the Special Olympics? If there was an activation event with Special Olympics, please describe and attach any photographs from the event. The Division III Identity Initiative video was shown at the banquet, and Identity Initiative signage was included on the outfield fence, on pole banners in the venue, on two sets of feather banners, on scoreboard banners and on the bracket banner. The venue truly looked like a championship venue, and all feedback was very positive. A Special Olympics softball team from the locale, the Special 8 Sox, attended the team barbecue, the student-athlete banquet and games during the championship, and Sox members were included team introductions on the field and did a ceremonial first pitch.

2011-12 Division III Spring Championship Report

SPORT: Women's Golf

Championship Site: Zollner Golf Course; Trine University; Angola, Indiana

Please describe how things went in each of the following categories:

1.	**Rankings:** The committee conducted one ranking in the fall and two rankings in the spring. This is the first year that the committee has conducted and published rankings. We received positive feedback from the coaches.

2.	**Selections:** Selections went well, with the help of GolfStat. Information is thorough and the regional advisory committees and the national committee were able to dissect and analyze the information fairly quickly. The national committee spent a greater part of the selection time on analyzing the information and selecting the individual participants (6).

3.	**Banquet.** The banquet was approximately one hour. Excellent food. Video slideshow ran throughout the banquet. The Elite 89 was presented at the banquet. The committee chair (Martha Nause from Macalester College) spoke briefly about Title IX and its impact on women's golf.

3.	**Hotels:** Most teams, committee and officials stayed on campus. Location was excellent and the campus apartments were adequate. If Trine were to host in the future, they would need to improve the amenities (e.g., regular maid service, TV's). Some teams stayed in local hotels.

5.	**Facilities:** Golf course was in excellent condition with a fair set up. Locker room and training facilities could be improved.

6.	**Games/Competition:** Practice round was delayed two hours due to a huge downpour. Trine course employees did an excellent job preparing the course after the rain. Cool weather during the first part of the competition. Warmed up nicely for the final two days. Perfect weather for golf.

7.	**Officiating:** The rules officials were very visible and available for any rulings. Pep McPhillips (head rules official) organizes and oversees an excellent group.

8.	**Student Athlete Mementos:** Mementos are now shipped to the institutions/coaches following the competition. We do not receive much input from the student-athletes regarding their mementos since they receive them following the championships.

9.	**Press Conference:** Not applicable.

10.	**Media Coverage:** The local newspaper did a great job of covering the championships. There were articles and pictures in the newspaper all week. NCAA.com sent a reporter and he did an excellent job of writing an article each for the website. Several institutional SID's were onsite due to the Midwest location of the championships.

11.	**Division III Identity activation. Was the Identity video shown at the banquet? Was Identity-specific signage displayed at the championship?** Video was shown at the banquet and there was DIII signage displayed both at the banquet and on the course.

2012 Division III Spring Championship Report

SPORT: Baseball

Championship Site: Time Warner Field at Fox Cities Stadium (Appleton, WI)

Please describe how things went in each of the following categories:

1. Rankings: The regional advisory committee members utilized the online balloting system and that was received favorably for the most part. There was some difficulty with coaches having access to computers to submit their votes before the deadline because they were on the road or traveling to games. The national committee was not in favor of allowing the RAC rankings to be published without the authority of the national committee to make changes.

2. Selections: The baseball committee utilized increased technology (online balloting, bracketing software, webinar, and mileage calculator) to increase effectiveness with the selection process. The additional technology was very helpful; however the committee would like to have an online map with all of the DIII institutions included to help with assigning teams to regional sites. The committee would also like to have more selection criteria added to provide additional information when making national selections.

3. Banquet. The championship banquet received favorable reviews. There was a highlight video that included footage from each of the eight regional sites and features on the top players from each team. The guest speaker was a little long and that was addressed with the host and LOC.

4. Hotels: All eight qualifying teams stay at the Radisson Paper Valley, the accommodations and location are very good and the feedback on the property is positive. There was a student-athlete lounge equipped with pool table, foosball, video games, TV, Wi-Fi, drinks and snacks were available throughout the tournament.

5. Facilities: The competition venue and practice sites were very good. However staff and committee would like to have a clean venue as a part of the bid specifications going forward. The competition venue is at a minor league baseball stadium and there is a great deal of signage throughout, staff and committee would prefer to make the facility look more like an NCAA Championship venue.

6. Games/Competition: The games were very competitive; there were two teams that were in the championship for the first time in school history. The defending champion Marietta rallied back after losing a game to win back to back championships.

7. Officiating: The officiating was solid; perhaps the best the championship has had in the last several years. Eight officials are assigned to the national championship. This year as criteria for selection each official had to take and score at least 80% on a baseball rules test, sign-up for Arbiter Sports Central Hub, and work a minimum number of Division III Baseball

games during the regular season. Officials also must attend an NCAA clinic once within three years.

8. **Student Athlete Mementos:** The student-athletes receive their mementos following the championship. However we did provide adhesive patches for the player hats, they also received lapel pins and key chains from our officials ball supplier Rawlings.

9. **Press Conference:** A press conference was held following each game with 2-3 student-athletes from each team and the head coaches.

10. **Media Coverage:** Approximately 40 media credentials were issued for the championship. Each game was webcast live on NCAA.com. The local newspaper did a four page pre-championship pull-out, and had coverage in the paper each day of the championship. NCAA staff posted championship updates on Face book and Twitter, and there were live stats through NCAA.com.

11. **Division III Identity activation. Was the Identity video shown at the banquet? Was Identity-specific signage displayed at the championship?**

The Division III Identity video was shown at the banquet as well as on the video board inside the stadium and on the monitor in the hotel lobby. There was DIII signage at the banquet, hotel and championship venue.

2012 Division III Championship Enhancement Report

SPORT: Baseball

1. Type of Enhancement:
A. Student-Athlete Hospitality Lounge
B. Video Board
C. Special Olympics recognition day

2. Explain how this enhancement improved the student athlete experience.
A. Student-athletes were able to relax and enjoy their teammates and visit with players from other teams in the student-athlete lounge at the team hotel between games and practices.
B. Player photos and statistics were featured on the video board during at bats for the players.
C. The student-athletes were able to interact with the Special Olympics athletes during pre-game introductions, and pre-game ceremonies.

3. How successful was this enhancement on a scale of 1-5 (5 = best) and why.
A. 4 - The lounge was successful because it was in an area that was easily accessible to student-athletes and there was enough promotion and information about the lounge so the student-athletes knew to go and take advantage.
B. 5 – The student-athletes loved seeing their image on the video board along with their stats, it was a great way to provide additional recognition and the fans enjoyed the information as well.
C. 4 – The Special Olympics Athletes had a very positive experience being able to be on the field with the student-athletes, escort them to their positions, stand with players during the national anthem, throw out the ceremonial first pitch, and serve as honorary captains and bat person(s).

4. What would you do differently if you use this specific enhancement again? If you chose not to repeat this particular enhancement, what would you consider doing in its place?
A. I would try and get more video games or more technology for the lounge.
B. I would try to integrate the actual games stats into the video board so that we can have updated stats throughout the game. Also look to add some personal interviews clips from the players on the board.
C. I would work with the local Special Olympics chapters to get more Special Olympics athletes to the game. Set-up a private autograph session.

5. How did you change or improve your enhancement through use of the additional $2,500 from Corporate Alliances (the Corporate Champions/Partners)?
We used the funding from corporate alliances to pay for the student-athlete lounge and the staff to operate the video board.

6. Please attach pictures of the enhancement in action (please provide electronic copies if possible).

7. Please include two-three quotes from participants (student athletes and/or coaches).

2012 Division III Championship Enhancement Report

SPORT: Men's Golf

1. Type of Enhancement: Scoreboards, rope and staking, standard bearers

2. Explain how this enhancement improved the student athlete experience. Student-athletes are able to see where teams stand with the on course leaderboards and the final day the last ten groups have a standard bearer with them. The rope and staking provides an appearance of a big time event and everything together provides a memorable experience for the student-athletes.

3. How successful was this enhancement on a scale of 1-5 (5 = best) and why. 5…the men's golf committee continues to use this year after year as reviews from the student-athletes and coaches are positive.

4. What would you do differently if you use this specific enhancement again? If you chose not to repeat this particular enhancement, what would you consider doing in its place? Would not do anything different.

5. How did you change or improve your enhancement through use of the additional $2,500 from Corporate Alliances (the Corporate Champions/Partners)? We were able to do a little more of an enhancement with additional scoreboards.

6. Please attach pictures of the enhancement in action (please provide electronic copies if possible).

7. Please include two-three quotes from participants (student athletes and/or coaches).

2011-12 Division III Championship Enhancement Report

SPORT: Women's Golf

1. Type of Enhancement:
Improv comedy show and SA social

2. Explain how this enhancement improved the student athlete experience.
Fun, interactive and entertaining 45 minute show. For a short time, relaxed the competitive atmosphere.

3. How successful was this enhancement on a scale of 1-5 (5 = best) and why.
4 – the SA's appeared to be enjoying the entertainment.

4. What would you do differently if you use this specific enhancement again? If you chose not to repeat this particular enhancement, what would you consider doing in its place?
I would recommend doing a different sort of entertainment next year. The last two years we have had improv comedy.

5. How did you change or improve your enhancement through use of the additional $2,500 from Corporate Alliances (the Corporate Champions/Partners)?
The committee discussed and would again use these funds for a cook-out prior to the entertainment.

6. Please attach pictures of the enhancement in action (please provide electronic copies if possible).

7. Please include two-three quotes from participants (student athletes and/or coaches).
No specific comments on the surveys regarding the use of enhancement funds.

2012 Division III Championship Enhancement Report

SPORT: Rowing

1. Type of Enhancement: student-athlete hospitality and DVDs of championship

2. Explain how this enhancement improved the student athlete experience. $2,500 was allocated for the student-athlete hospitality area so that additional items like fresh fruit and granola bars could be provided for such a large group (all 3 divisions). $5,000 was allocated toward the cost of producing DVDs of championship racing for all teams from all 3 divisions. Due to the size of the course and the racing schedule, student-athletes are not able to watch the racing of teammates, and they can review their own races from a different perspective.

3. How successful was this enhancement on a scale of 1-5 (5 = best) and why. 4 – the hospitality area is somewhat overlooked as a perk, but teams would notice if the snack items were not present. The DVDs have been well-received by teams in previous years as a way to relive their championship experience.

4. What would you do differently if you use this specific enhancement again? If you chose not to repeat this particular enhancement, what would you consider doing in its place? Definitely keep the DVDs as an enhancement, but consider something more useful and noticeable for the $2,500, like having ice baths available or providing split times. Most student-athletes did not hang out in the hospitality are like we expected; they took items and returned to their team area.

5. How did you change or improve your enhancement through use of the additional $2,500 from Corporate Alliances (the Corporate Champions/Partners)? The items mentioned above, or provide AV and televisions in a "lounge" in the student-athlete area so they could watch other racing going on during a few minutes of downtime.

6. Please attach pictures of the enhancement in action (please provide electronic copies if possible).

7. Please include two-three quotes from participants (student athletes and/or coaches). Again, the hospitality additions were probably not noticed and the DVDs are in the process of being mailed.

2012 Division III Championship Enhancement Report

SPORT: Softball

1. Type of Enhancements: Student-athlete barbecue, student-athlete hospitality area at the softball complex, team photos and DVD of championship photos for each team.

2. Explain how these enhancements improved the student-athlete experience. The barbecue was held on the practice day and provided a great opportunity for all eight competing teams to interact in an informal setting with karaoke, cornhole and a sundae bar. The student-athletes were very social and seemed to enjoy the experience. A local Special Olympics team also attended the barbecue. The hospitality area at the softball complex was stocked with snacks, fruit, PowerAde and Dasani for the student-athletes. The photographer was very good. The host sent each coach 8" x 10" team photos for each member of the official travel party immediately following the championship. The host also included a DVD of photos taken during the student-athlete barbecue, on the practice day and during games. Coaches reported that their teams thought the photos were well done and a great keepsake from the championship.

3. How successful was this enhancement on a scale of 1-5 (5 = best) and why. I rate each of these enhancements as a "5." The student-athletes provided positive feedback regarding each enhancement.

4. What would you do differently if you use this specific enhancement again? If you chose not to repeat this particular enhancement, what would you consider doing in its place? I plan to do all of these enhancements again at future championships.

5. How did you change or improve your enhancement through use of the additional $2,500 from Corporate Alliances (the Corporate Champions/Partners)? The additional funds allowed us to provide the DVD of championship photos so that each team received a keepsake of the entire championship in addition to the team photos.

6. Please attach pictures of the enhancement in action (please provide electronic copies if possible).

7. Please include two-three quotes from participants (student-athletes and/or coaches).

"This is a great way to start the championship and meet the players from the other teams before competition starts." – student-athlete at the barbecue

"The team photos were really good, and the DVD of photos was a nice touch." coach

"It's great to have the hospitality tent right next to the championship field for easy access." – assistant coach

Division III
Special Olympics Initiative

Year End Recap

2011-2012

The Partnership

- The Division III Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and Special Olympics have formed a partnership in a coordinated community outreach effort that incorporates the hundreds of SAAC's at Division III institutions and conference offices with Special Olympics programs that exist in each state.

The Goal

- To improve the lives of Special Olympics athletes and foster a **mutual** learning experience between Division III student-athletes and Special Olympics athletes.

Championship Objectives

The following three objectives were used to guide championship activations:

1. Provide an opportunity for Special Olympics Athletes and DIII student-athletes to interact and have a mutual learning experience.
2. Provide a platform for recognition of Special Olympics Athletes.
3. Raise awareness about Special Olympics, the programs and services they provide as well as the partnership with Division III.

Promotion

- Posters
- T-shirts
- Banners
- Fliers
- Brochures
- Balloons
- Videos
- PA Announcements

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DISCOVER | DEVELOP | DEDICATE
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
Special Olympics

Awareness

- Text-to-Give campaigns
- Exhibitions
- Guest Speakers
- Volunteer Sign-up
- The “R” word pledge
  - “I Pledge” stickers

SPREAD THE WORD
TO END THE WORD

CHAMP
DIVISION III WOMEN'S

Activities & Engagement

- The National Anthem
- Awards Presentation
- Skill Clinics
- Event participation

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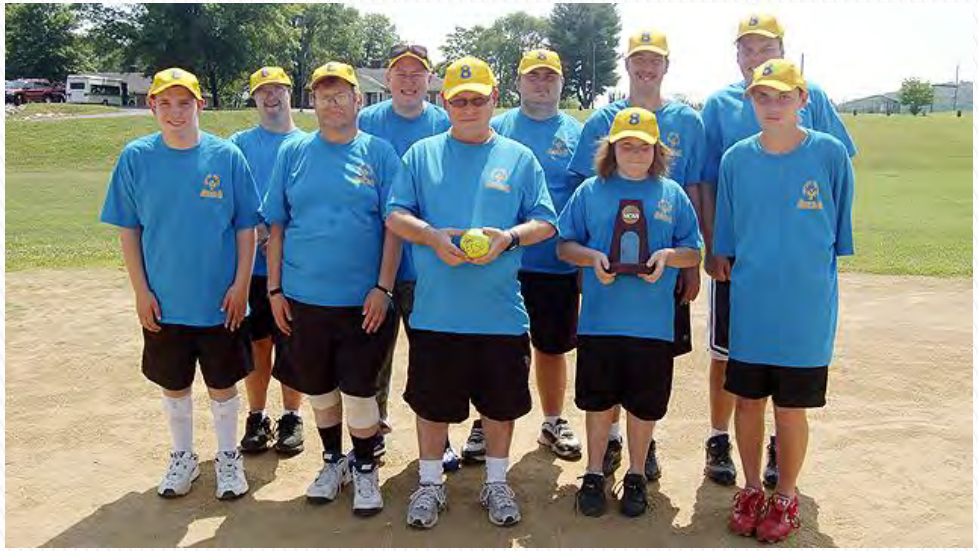
- Honorary team captains
- Socials
- Karaoke
- Games & Icebreakers

Activities & Engagement



Activities & Engagement

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- Player Introductions
- Throwing out the first pitch
- Event volunteers
- Discussions on Sportsmanship, Hydration, and Inclusion

Activities & Engagement

WHEATON
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- 2,000 DIII Student-Athletes
- 800 Special Olympics Athletes
- 22 Championships
- 13 States
- 3 D's (Discover|Develop|Dedicate)
- 1 Goal
  - To improve the lives of Special Olympics athletes and foster a **mutual** learning experience between Division III student-athletes and Special Olympics athletes.

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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

August 23, 2012

Mr. Stuart Robinson
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Dear Mr. Robinson,

The New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference (NEWMAC) respectfully requests the NCAA Division III Championships Committee to consider the following waiver from Bylaw 31.3.2 in the sport of Men's Lacrosse, specifically the two-year waiting period for a multi-sport conference to be eligible for an AQ.

Currently, the following core NEWMAC institutions sponsor the sport of Men's Lacrosse and have done so for more than two (2) years: Babson College, Clark University, MIT, Springfield College and Wheaton College.

These institutions play in a single-sport conference called the Pilgrim League. The Pilgrim League is eligible and has an NCAA AQ. The NEWMAC institutions listed above are also founding members of the Pilgrim League and went through the NCAA process for the league to receive its NCAA AQ. There are two additional members that make up the remaining membership of the Pilgrim League, Massachusetts Maritime Academy and Regis College.

In 2013-2014, the NEWMAC is adding its eleventh full member, Emerson College. Emerson sponsors the sport of Men's Lacrosse. Also in 2013-2014, Mass. Maritime will become an associate member of the NEWMAC in the sport of Men's Lacrosse and Regis College will join its primary conference, the Great Northeast Athletic Conference (GNAC) to compete. With Mass Maritime joining the NEWMAC and Regis returning to the GNAC, the Pilgrim League will essentially cease to exist.

The series of events listed above gives the NEWMAC seven (7) members who sponsor the sport of men's lacrosse beginning in 2013-14. Six (6) of those members are core to the Pilgrim League and five (5) are core to NEWMAC. Our request is to transition the Pilgrim League AQ (a single sport conference) to the NEWMAC (multi-sport conference) effective the 2013-2014 academic year. This

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request does not require the NCAA to create an additional AQ, and we believe is consistent with Division III trends to move single sport conference AQs to multi-sport conferences. In addition, by granting this waiver, the six (6) core members of the Pilgrim League will not be penalized and have to wait an additional two (2) years to receive the AQ they were already granted.

On behalf of the NEWMAC membership, we appreciate your consideration of this waiver. If you have any questions, please let me know. I can be reached by phone at (781) 239-4944 or via email at patrick@newmacsports.com.

Sincerely,

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cc: Liz Suscha, Associate Director of Championships
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NEWMAC Directors of Athletics

Referral of Issues Related to Baseball to the NCAA Division III Baseball Committee

From the April 2012 Management Council Report:

The Council approved the Playing and Practice Seasons subcommittee's recommendation to refer to the NCAA Division III Championships Committee a request that the NCAA Division III Baseball Committee review issues related to protecting baseball student-athletes' academic pursuits and address concerns of missed class and campus time.

The subcommittee received a presentation of the GOALS study results with an emphasis on baseball in comparison to other spring championship sports. The subcommittee noted concern with the athletic emphasis among baseball student-athletes in addition to significant missed class and campus time as compared to other spring championship sports. The subcommittee discussed various legislative changes including:

(1) Requiring baseball student-athletes to be provided with two days off per week from athletically related activities after the first date of competition;
(2) Whether the current maximum allowed number of contests are appropriate;
(3) Allowing contests completed during the nontraditional segment to be considered for championship requirements; and
(4) Whether the current date of the baseball championship should be moved to allow for additional time for institutions to complete contests. Based on its concerns and discussion, the subcommittee referred the issue to the Baseball Committee through the Championships Committee for consideration.

REPORT OF THE
NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 10-11, 2012 MEETING

***ACTION ITEMS*.**

1. Legislative Items.

a. Selection of Teams and Individuals for Championships Participation – Seventy Percent in Region Requirement and all Division III Contests Considered Primary Criteria.

(1) Recommendation. That institutions earning automatic qualification to NCAA Division III championships be subject to the requirement to play at least seventy percent of their competition against Division III in-region opponents (fifty percent for men's and women's tennis, and twenty-five percent for men's and women's golf).

(2) Effective Date. 2013-14 academic year.

(3) Rationale. The recommendation aligns the in-region competition requirement for teams earning championships access through automatic qualification (Pool A) with those identified through the at-large selection process (Pools B and C). The committee discussed the original intent of the requirement and agreed that all Division III institutions participating in NCAA championships should be held to the same threshold of in-region competition to emphasize the regional philosophy inherent to Division III. Furthermore, when the championships committee researched the appropriate threshold for in-region competition (i.e., seventy, fifty or twenty-five), all teams in the championship field, including automatic qualifiers, were examined. Institutions will continue to have an opportunity to request a waiver of the in-region requirement.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

b. Selection Criteria – Ranking and Selection.

(1) Recommendation. That the "results versus ranked teams" criterion for championship selection be modified so that performance is evaluated based on results against teams ranked at the time of selection. The modification replaces the current provision which allows that once a team is ranked during the season, it is always considered ranked.

(2) Effective Date. 2013-14 academic year.

(3) Rationale. The committee and sport committee chairs addressed the topic in their joint discussion and noted the inequity in the number of teams that have the opportunity to be ranked in their respective regions. Regions that have more teams and those that rank more teams within their region have more opportunities to play teams that may have been ranked, giving them an advantage in the criterion of results verses ranked teams. In addition, teams that appear at the bottom of an early season regional ranking may not be in the ranking conversation by season's end, thus skewing the category in favor of teams that defeated what proved to be a team not considered for championship selection.

(4) Estimated Budget Impact. None.

(5) Student-Athlete Impact. None.

2. Nonlegislative Items.

- **None.**

***INFORMATIONAL ITEMS*.**

1. Opening Remarks and Review of Schedule and Agenda. The chair, Stuart Robinson, welcomed the committee, reviewed the meeting schedule and highlighted key discussion items for the meeting.

2. Approval of Recent Reports. The committee reviewed and approved the teleconference and electronic mail reports from August.

3. Chair Appointment. The committee agreed to extend the chair appointment for Mr. Robinson to a third year to coincide with the final year of his committee term.

4. Update from NCAA Division III SAAC. Due to the absence of Ms. Hamilton, an update from Division III SAAC was not provided.

5. Discuss In-Region Requirement for Automatic Qualifiers. Refer to Action Item No. 1.

6. Recap of the Meeting with Sport Committee Chairs. The committee reviewed the key items that came out of the roundtable discussions with the sport committee chairs. Several topics were identified for further review, including training for regional advisory

committee members, policies for regional rankings, selection criteria, joint championships, and championship access ratios.

In response to feedback provided by sport committee chairs, the committee agreed to grant sport committees the authority to alter the weekly regional advisory committee (RAC) rankings before they are published, effective for the 2012-13 academic year. The change modificed the process that was first implemented for 2011-12. The committee and sport committee chairs raised concerns about the sport committees' lack of ability to change the rankings in cases where there are obvious discrepancies. The committee did not alter the post-call balloting system for regional advisory committees which allows for independent voting after collective discussion. The policy still precludes those RAC members not on the call from voting and mitigates the ability for one or two RAC members from swaying the decisions during a call.

The committee also agreed that the final RAC rankings completed before selections should not be published to ensure that the focus at the end of the season is on those teams selected and how the fields are paired rather than rankings for a given region.

Prompted by discussion with the sport committee chairs, the committee also addressed the concept of requiring administrators from participating institutions to attend championship competition. Discussion focused on the primary role and purpose of administrators, but the committee took no action to change current policy. Specifically, sport committees will maintain the current policy to strongly encourage institutions to have an administrator onsite, though not making it a requirement of the championship. In addition, the committee agreed that, for the list of possible sanctions considered for acts of misconduct, the requirement of an administrator to attend the championship for a prescribed number of years be added.

7. **Update from Playing Rules Oversight Panel.** NCAA staff reviewed recent reports from the Playing Rules Oversight Panel, provided an overview of the rules-making process, and updated the group on the use of ArbiterSports for officials education and the administration of officiating assignments for select championships.

8. **Emerging Sports for Women.** The committee received an update on the current landscape and potential sponsorship of emerging sports for women. The parameters for being included or removed as an emerging sport were summarized and "next steps" were outlined for a number of potential emerging sports.

9. **Sports Committee Recommendations.**

   a. Baseball.

(1) Rankings Policy. Refer to Informational Item No. 6.

(2) Selection Criteria. Refer to Action Item No. 1b concerning action taken on results versus ranked teams. In addition, the committee tabled the recommendation to develop an index that calculates the mean strength-of-schedule for each region in rank order that can be compared against all regions. While the committee understood the effort to distinguish regions by strength, further support is needed to understand the consequences of applying the criterion; the committee suggested an analysis from the NCAA statistics department to provide such support.

(3) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 38 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Baseball Championship: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference; Centennial Conference; College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Commonwealth Coast Conference; Freedom Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Liberty League; Little East Conference; Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference; New Jersey Athletic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; Skyline Conference; St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; USA South Athletic Conference; Upper Midwest Athletic; and Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

(4) Championship Bracket Format. The committee approved in concept a recommendation to change the championship format at the finals site to a two four-team, double-elimination bracket with the two winners advancing to a single-game final for the national title. The format would provide more flexibility within the schedule to deal with inclement weather and would provide competitive equity, as the path to the championship would be more equitable for teams that go through the winners/losers brackets than the current format. As the change would extend the number of days of

competition by one, the committee will revisit the recommendation after reviewing a comprehensive budget analysis before considering approval.

b. Women's Basketball Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 43 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Women's Basketball Championship: Alleghany Mountain Collegiate Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference; Centennial Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Colonial State Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Commonwealth Coast Conference; Empire 8 Conference; Freedom Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Great South Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period); Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Liberty League; Little East Conference; Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Collegiate Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference; New Jersey Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; Skyline Conference; Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period); St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; University Athletic Association; Upper Midwest Conference; USA South Athletic Conference and Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

c. Men's Golf Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 30 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Golf Championship: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference, American Southwest Conference, Centennial Conference, College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin, Colonial States Athletic Conference, Commonwealth Conference, Empire 8, Freedom Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Liberty League, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Midwest Conference, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, New England Collegiate Conference, New England Small College Athletic Conference, North Atlantic Conference, North Coast Athletic Conference, North Eastern Athletic Conference, Northern Athletics Conference, Northwest Conference, Ohio Athletic Conference, Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Presidents' Athletic Conference, St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Skyline Conference, Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic

Conference, USA South Athletic Conference and the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference.

d. Women's Golf.

(1) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 14* conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 championships NCAA Division III Women's Golf Championship: American Southwest Conference; Centennial Conference, College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Middle Atlantic Conference; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; and Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

The field will be increased from 19 teams to 21 teams due to increased sport sponsorship.

*The Centennial Conference, Middle Atlantic Conference, Northern Athletics Conference and Presidents' Athletic Conference have completed the automatic qualification application. However, in the past, each conference has had institutions not meet minimum participation requirements and therefore, have not been granted an AQ. The women's golf committee will complete this review and the determination of AQ will be made at the time of selections.

(2) Date Formula. The committee approved that the date formula for the championships be changed to the second Tuesday of May. Currently, the date formula is the second Tuesday or Wednesday of May. In the past, hosts have had the opportunity to choose the championships competition dates to be Tuesday-Friday with a walk-through on Sunday and a practice round on Monday. Offering the host to choose either Tuesday or Wednesday has, at times, been confusing and typically a golf course will choose to host Tuesday-Friday rather than use a weekend day in the Wednesday-Saturday option.

(3) Committee Chair. The committee approved that Darla Kirby, associate director of athletes and compliance officer at the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, serve as chair of the NCAA Division III Women's Golf Committee to replace Martha Nause, effective immediately.

e. Men's Ice Hockey.

(1) Date Formula and Joint Championship. The committee referred back to the Division III Men's Ice Hockey Committee the recommendation to modify the current date formula and hold the championship in conjunction with the Division I Men's Ice Hockey Championship (the Frozen Four), effective with the 2014 championship. Specifically, the men's ice hockey committee requested that the championship date formula be changed so that:

- Selections are held on the Monday before the first round.
- First-round games are held on the Saturday before the quarterfinals.
- Quarterfinals are held on the Saturday before the semifinals.
- Semifinals are held on the Saturday two weeks before the championship.
- The final is held on the Friday after the first Sunday in April.

The recommendation would move the first-round games from Wednesday, thereby decreasing missed class time and giving all teams more time to make arrangements for games on Saturday. However, the change to the date formula would extend the championship season by one week for four teams (i.e., semi-finalists) and an additional two weeks for the finalists. While the championships committee agreed that a combined approach could enhance the student-athlete experience, increase the viewing audience for both divisions and create more awareness for the sport, the committee is concerned about the recommendation's effect on length of season. The championship committee requested to see a date formula that does not extend the current championship season before fully endorsing the recommendation. In addition, the committee requested a more comprehensive budget analysis to specify the effect on per diem and travel.

(2) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following eight conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Ice Hockey Championship: ECAC DIII Men's East Hockey League; ECAC DIII Northeast Hockey League; Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference; Midwest Collegiate Hockey Association; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; Northern Collegiate Hockey Association; and State University of New York Athletic Conference.

f. Women's Ice Hockey.

(1) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following five conferences be approved for automatic qualification to the 2013 NCAA Division III Women's Ice Hockey Championship: ECAC DIII Women's East Hockey League; ECAC DIII Women's West Hockey League; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; and the Northern Collegiate Hockey Association.

(2) 2013 Championship Site. The committee noted that the Division III Women's Ice Hockey Championship will be conducted at a predetermined site in 2013. The bid process is currently underway to identify a host.

g. Men's Lacrosse.

(1) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 19 conferences receive automatic qualification to the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Lacrosse Championship: Capital Athletic Conference, Centennial Conference, Colonial States Athletic Conference, Commonwealth Conference, Commonwealth Coast Conference, Empire 8 Athletic Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Landmark Conference, Liberty League, Little East Conference, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association , Midwest Lacrosse Conference, New England Small College Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference, North Coast Athletic Conference, Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Pilgrim League, Skyline Conference, and State University of New York Athletic Conference.

(2) Committee Chair. The committee approved that Steve Koudelka of Lynchburg College serve as chair of the NCAA Division III Men's Lacrosse Committee, effective immediately.

h. Women's Lacrosse.

(1) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 21 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Championship: Capital Athletic Conference; Centennial Conference; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Liberty League; Little East Conference; Massachusetts State College Athletic Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Skyline Athletic Conference; State University of New

York Athletic Conference; The Commonwealth Coast Conference; and USA South Athletic Conference.

(2) Committee Chair. The committee approved that Susan Hoffman, associate director of athletics and senior woman administrator at the College of Brockport, State University of New York serve as chair of the NCAA Division III Women's Lacrosse Committee, effective immediately.

i. Rowing.

(1) In-Region Competition. The committee tabled a recommendation to keep the in-region scheduling threshold at 50 percent, effective with the 2013-14 academic year. The committee requested additional information to better understand how rowing tracks competition in order to make an informed decision regarding the appropriate in-region scheduling threshold.

(2) Selection Criteria – Late Season Performance. The committee approved the recommendation to move late season performance to the primary selection criteria, effective with the 2013-14 academic year (consistent with the implementation with the change to selection criteria for the Division). Late season performance shall be defined as the last two regattas before the selection date. While the rowing committee expressed interest for an immediate effective date, the committee preferred to remain consistent with the criteria for implementation in 2013-14. As a result, the criterion remains as secondary for the 2012-13 academic year.

(3) Committee Chair. The committee approved that Sally Scatton of William Smith College serve as chair of the NCAA Division III Rowing Committee, effective immediately.

(4) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) and the Mid-Atlantic Rowing Conference (MARC) receive automatic qualification for the 2013 Division III Rowing Championship.

j. Softball.

(1) Committee Chair. The committee approved that Robin Baker, assistant athletics director and assistant softball coach at the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, serve as chair, effective immediately.

(2) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 41 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Softball Championship: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference, American Southwest Conference, Capital Athletic Conference, Centennial Conference, City University of New York Athletic Conference, College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin, Colonial States Athletic Conference, Commonwealth Coast Conference, Commonwealth Conference, Empire 8, Freedom Conference, Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Great South Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period), Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference, Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Landmark Conference, Little East Conference, Massachusetts State Collegiate Athletic Conference, Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association, Midwest Conference, Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, New England Collegiate Conference, New England Small College Athletic Conference, New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference, New Jersey Athletic Conference, North Atlantic Conference, North Coast Athletic Conference, North Eastern Athletic Conference, Northern Athletics Conference, Northwest Conference, Ohio Athletic Conference, Old Dominion Athletic Conference, Presidents' Athletic Conference, Skyline Conference, Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period), St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, State University of New York Athletic Conference, Upper Midwest Athletic Conference; USA South Athletic Conference and the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

Based on 2011-12 sponsorship numbers, the bracket size for softball will increase from 61 to 62 teams in 2013.

(3) Regional Rankings. The committee did not support a recommendation to modify the number of teams ranked per region. Specifically, the softball committee requested that 20 percent of the teams in each region be included in the regional rankings, with a minimum of eight teams ranked and a maximum of 12 teams ranked. The championships committee prefers that all sport committees operate in a similar manner with respect to the number of ranked teams and noted that, effective with the 2013-14 academic year, all sports will rank 15 percent of teams as previously approved.

k. Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving.

(1) Standards and Selections. The committee did not approve a recommendation to require that, at the time of entry, institutions must designate an championship roster with the student-athletes they wish to be considered for

championships selections, including those that only may be relay alternates. The committee would like to understand more fully the issue to be resolved and the possible implications of such a change from the men's and women's swimming and diving committee before considering the recommendation again in the future.

(2) Championships Swimming Entries. The committee approved the recommendation that each institution may enter one team per relay event. The fastest time (actual or aggregate 25-yard or converted metric) that has been achieved by the student-athletes listed on the institution's championships roster during the qualifying period must be submitted. In turn, the NCAA championships entry program automatically will select the fastest time swam in that event and enter the corresponding four student-athletes from the institution's championship roster into the event. If entering the institution's fastest team in each relay event results in one or more swimmer(s) being listed on the entry in more than seven events, the entry will not be accepted.

Previously, coaches were allowed to enter a swimmer into the championships in more than seven events even though swimmers cannot swim in more than seven events. Thus the swimmer would have to scratch from the event. Allowing the entry could affect the selection process and potentially eliminate another swimmer from being invited to the meet. Eliminating that option will provide a safeguard for coaches to not enter their swimmers into more than seven events. This change is consistent with the change in championship roster management, and coaches will have more flexibility at the time of entries to avoid a swimmer being entered in more than seven events.

(3) 2013 Regional Diving Sites. The committee approved that the following sites serve as 2013 diving regional sites:

- Region 1 (Central): Calvin College; Grand Rapids, Michigan
- Region 2 (Midwest-South-West): Trinity College; San Antonio, Texas
- Region 3 (Northeast-North): Springfield College; Springfield Massachusetts
- Region 4 (Northeast-South): Ithaca College; Ithaca, New York

The committee also noted a preference for the men's and women's swimming and diving committee to give consideration for awarding sites on a rotational basis in the future.

(4) Committee Chair. The committee approved that Anne Goodman James, head coach at Colorado College, serve as chair, effective immediately.

l. Men's Tennis Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 30 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Tennis Championships: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period); Centennial Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Freedom Conference; Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Little East Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; North Atlantic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; Skyline Conference; Southern California Inter. Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period); The Commonwealth Coast Conference; University Athletic Association; USA South Athletic Conference.

m. Women's Tennis Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following 38 conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Women's Tennis Championships: Allegheny Mountain Collegiate Conference; American Southwest Conference; Capital Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period); Centennial Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin; Colonial States Athletic Conference; Commonwealth Conference; Empire 8; Freedom Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; Great South Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period); Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference; Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; Landmark Conference; Little East Conference; Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association; Midwest Conference; Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; New England Small College Athletic Conference; New England Women's and Men's Athletics Conference; New Jersey Athletic Conference; North Coast Athletic Conference; North Eastern Athletic Conference; Northern Athletics Conference; Northwest Conference; Ohio Athletic Conference; Old Dominion Athletic Conference; Presidents' Athletic Conference; Skyline Conference; Southern California Inter. Athletic Conference; Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (First Year Grace Period); St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference; State University of New York Athletic Conference; The Commonwealth Coast Conference; University Athletic Association; USA South Athletic Conference; Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

n. Men's and Women's Track and Field Committee Chair. The committee approved that Paul Sargent, head cross country and track and field coach, Franklin College, serve as chair, effective immediately.

o. Men's Volleyball.

(1) Automatic Qualification Eligibility. The committee did not approve a recommendation to offer waiver consideration for select conferences applying for AQ consideration for the 2014 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship. Specifically, consideration was for conferences that have a minimum of five members that were not previously in a conference receiving an AQ (i.e., considered as independents) or that began sponsoring the sport in 2012-13. Though the committee has the authority to waive requirements for automatic qualification, it reaffirmed its support for the existing AQ legislation and was not comfortable allowing an exception for the sport beyond what was granted for the initial two years of the championship (2012 and 2013).

(2) Automatic Qualification. The committee approved that the following six conferences receive automatic qualification for the 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship: Continental Volleyball Conference; City University of New York Athletic Conference; Great Northeast Athletic Conference; New England Collegiate Conference; Skyline Conference; and United Volleyball Conference.

10. 2013-14 and Beyond Regional Alignment Recommendations. The committee reviewed regional alignment proposals from various sports committees along with feedback from the NCAA Division III Conference Commissioners Association. Considering the significant change proposed in some of the recommendations and a concern that scheduling for the 2013-14 academic year is underway, the committee took no action to approve the sport-specific proposals. However, the committee agreed to devote time during upcoming teleconferences to examine a revised timeline for review and implementation of region changes with a focus on developing a clear and consistent way to present the sport-specific changes to concerned constituents (i.e., conference commissioners, institutions, etc.). The committee raised specific concern about the cross country proposal which splits up some conferences across regions as well as some concern that not all sport committees evaluated the current region alignments closely enough.

11. 2012 Spring Championship Reports. The committee reviewed reports from the 2012 spring championships and suggested the reports be shared among the championships staff to facilitate a discussion of best practices.

12. 2012 Spring Championship Enhancement Reports. The committee reviewed enhancement reports from the 2012 spring championships.

13. Special Olympics Activation at Championships. Refer to the report from the joint meeting with sport committee chairs.

14. Future Meeting Dates and Sites. The committee agreed on dates for in-person meetings through September 2013.

15. Other business. The committee discussed several items in other business, including the following:

Waiver for Automatic Qualification. The committee did not support a request from the New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference to waive the two-year waiting period for a multisport conference to be eligible for automatic qualification in the sport of men's lacrosse. While the committee appreciated the move from a single-sport to a multisport conference and understood the unusual circumstances regarding the institutions that had been qualifying via automatic qualification, they noted that the conference lacked seven men's lacrosse sponsors as core members of the multisport conference.

Referral to Baseball Committee. At the recommendation of the Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee of the NCAA Division III Management Council, the committee requested that the NCAA Division III Baseball Committee review issues related to protecting baseball student-athletes' academic pursuits and address concerns of missed class and campus time. Specifically, the baseball committee is asked to provide feedback directly to the Playing and Practice Seasons Subcommittee on the following legislative concepts:

(1) Requiring baseball student-athletes to be provided with two days off per week from athletically related activities after the first date of competition;
(2) Whether the current maximum allowed number of contests are appropriate; and
(3) Allowing contests completed during the nontraditional segment to be considered for championship requirements.

Men's and Women's Basketball. The committee received introductions to and updates from the new championships leadership for men's and women's basketball. Dan Gavitt, Vice President of Men's Basketball Championships, and Anucha Browne Sanders, Vice President of Women's Basketball Championships, met separately with the committee and fielded questions on various topics, including the upcoming joint championship to celebrate the 75th anniversary of men's basketball.

Championships Travel and Budget Update. NCAA staff provided an update on the analysis to fund local ground transportation for championships and, at the request of the committee, reviewed the budget analysis created for the change to the super-regional format for the softball championships (approved as part of the 2012-15 budget triennium process). The committee agreed to evaluate the analysis for local ground transportation further during a future teleconference. In addition, fully reconciled numbers for 2011-12 championship year will be reviewed once audited.

Raw Data Computation. The committee agreed to modify the calculation of strength-of-schedule to utilize raw data in the computation on the backend programming of the NCAA online score reporting system for more accurate and fair rankings, effective with the 2012-13 academic year. Upon review of the NCAA statistics program, the NCAA online score reporting computation process was analyzed to exclude data related to outliers or institutions in the membership process. Although the impact on the data is minimal depending on scheduling and considering there are not a significant number of institutions in the membership process, the raw data computation ensures more fairness for institutions competing against those schools in the membership process.

Championships Access Ratio for Individual-Team Sports. The committee discussed championship access ratios for individual-team sports prompted by feedback from the men's and women's swimming and diving committee. The committee agreed to examine championship access ratios for all individual-team sports in order to assess if there is adequate access to championships available for those participating student-athletes.

Flexibility in Bracketing Principles. The subcommittee formed to examine possibilities to apply flexibility in the championships bracketing philosophy provided an update. As an initial step, the subcommittee will identify instances where top-ranked teams within a region were not afforded the opportunity to host in recent championships and the cost implications had these teams been designated as hosts.

16. Adjournment. Prior to adjournment, the committee thanked Jeff Martinez for his continued service to Division III and his most recent term on the championships committee.

Committee Chair: Stuart Robinson, State University College at New Paltz
Staff Liaison: Liz Turner Suscha, Championships and Alliances

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Attendees	Absentees
Tim Downes, Emory University	Steve Nelson, University of

	Wisconsin, Superio
Holly Gera, Montclair State University	Kelli Hamilton, University of Minnesota, Morris
Sue Lauder, Fitchburg State University	
Jeff Martinez, University of Redlands	
Joe Onderko, Presidents' Athletic Conference	
Stuart Robinson, State University College at New Paltz	
Monica Severson, Wartburg College	
Other Participants	
Gary Brown, NCAA (for portions)	
Dan Dutcher, NCAA (for portions)	
Louise McCleary, NCAA (for portions)	
Jeff Myers, NCAA (for portions)	
Jeff O'Barr, NCAA (for portions)	
Roberta Page, NCAA (for portions)	
Juanita Sheely, NCAA (for portions)	
Liz Turner Suscha, NCAA	
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Ty Halpin, NCAA (for portions)	
Dan Gavitt, NCAA (for portions)	
Anucha Browne, NCAA (for portions)	
Tina Krah, NCAA (for portions)	
Michelle Perry, NCAA (for portions)	
Karen Morrison, NCAA (for portions via teleconference)	