REPORT OF THE NCAA DIVISION III MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING COMMITTEE APRIL/MAY 2020, VIRTUAL MEETINGS

ACTION ITEMS.

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

- 1. Review of agenda. The committee reviewed the agenda for the meeting and made no adjustments. Members agreed that multiple virtual meetings would be needed to cover all topics as COVID-19 information continues to change from month to month.
- **2.** Review of 2019 annual meeting report. The committee reviewed and approved the 2019 annual meeting report as presented.
- **3. Review of Division III Championships Committee reports**. The committee reviewed reports from the past year and agreed that no follow-up discussion or action was needed.
- **4. Diving regional review**. Despite a new timeline for submission and approval of diving regional sites, the sport continues to find it difficult to get enough bids to cover the four regional sites. Currently the committee has approved two sites and is working on two additional sites for 2021. A full evaluation of the event, budgets, and more will be needed moving forward, with feedback from the membership as well.
 - **a.** Warm-up schedule. The committee will rewrite the warm-up schedule description to make it easier to understand and provide an example schedule for all scenarios.
 - **b.** Host operations manual revisions. The committee suggested edits and additions to the manual for staff to incorporate as necessary along with the regular yearly updates.
- 5. Review of 2020 championships (Greensboro).
 - **a.** Committee overview/feedback. Despite the championship being cancelled less than a week prior to arrival at the facility, the committee recognized the host for working hard and being prepared to put on a great championship and noted again that the facility is a premier location with a tremendous staff. The committee agreed that Greensboro is one of the top destinations for this event.

6. Discussion of action plan for 2021 (Federal Way).

• **Site visit**. The committee will work to determine how to conduct the site visit, virtual or in person, in the fall. As a first-time host, it will be important for the committee to work with personnel to make sure the facility is well prepared. However, with COVID-19 concerns, the committee noted the need to be flexible with any plan of action.

7. Review selection process.

- **a.** Number of individuals/relays. The committee continues to evaluate expanding the men's cap to 270. The committee took no action but will continue to work with this goal in mind.
- **b. 2019-20 qualifying standards.** The committee reviewed and approved the 2020-21 qualifying standards. Additionally, the committee will work with Michelle Chaffin to clarify the language used to describe the process and better explain how the standards are created.

8. Site review/future sites.

- **a. 2021 Seattle, Washington.** The championships will take place March 17-20 at the Weyerhaeuser King County Aquatic Center.
- **b. 2023-2026 bid cycle.** The committee discussed the upcoming bid cycle for the 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026 championships and made recommendations based on the limited number of bids received.

9. Committee.

- **a.** Policies and procedures manual. The committee is in the process of reviewing the manual(s), and NCAA staff will incorporate the recommended modifications as necessary along with the regular yearly updates.
- **b. 2020-21 committee timeline.** The committee approved the proposed timeline but will hold of publishing the timeline with COVID-19 concerns. They will examine the timeline again in the fall and publish.
- **c. Annual meeting.** The 2021 annual meeting will be in April and be held virtually.
- **d.** Selection of 2019-20 committee chair. The committee elected Terry Small, commissioner of the New Jersey Athletic Conference, as chair of the committee in 2020-21.
- **10. Pre-championships manual review**. The committee will review the manual over the summer, and NCAA staff will incorporate the recommended modifications as necessary along with the regular yearly updates.

- 11. Participant manual review. The committee will review the manual over the summer, and NCAA staff will incorporate the recommended modifications as necessary along with the regular yearly updates.
- **12. Host operations manual revisions**. The committee will review the manual over the summer, and NCAA staff will incorporate the recommended modifications as necessary along with the regular yearly updates.
- 13. Sponsorship lists championships access ratio. The committee discussed schools that are potentially adding men's and/or women's swimming and diving and will continue to monitor the impact of COVID-19 on sport sponsorship in 2021 and beyond.
- 14. Other business. The committee tabled a majority of its discussions and agenda items to a yet to be scheduled fall meeting/meetings. With COVID-19 concerns, more in-depth discussion will be needed to ensure a safe championship in 2021.

Committee Chair: Johan Lopez, Grove City College

Staff Liaison: Kevin Alcox, Championships and Alliances

Division III Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee April/May 2020, Virtual Meetings

Attendees:

Barb Bolich, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Peter Casares, Bates College.

Beth DeLaRosby, Carthage College.

Mark Fino, John Carroll University.

Andy Hendricks, Franklin College.

Johan C. Lopez, United States Merchant Marine Academy.

Terrance Small, New Jersey Athletic Conference.

Amy Heasley Williams, Kenyon College.

Absentees:

None.

Guests in Attendance:

None.

NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:

Kevin Alcox, Championships and Alliances.

Aaron King, Championships and Alliances.

Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:

None.