

2024-25 NJCAA Governance Committee

NJCAA Mission

"The NJCAA's mission is to promote, govern and foster a competitive environment for two-year college athletics. The NJCAA recognizes the diverse nature of its membership, providing at all times a consistent and inclusive governance structure that provides opportunities for all stakeholders and emphasizes the academic, athletic, and community involvement goals of all student-athletes."



Meeting/Important Dates

August 21	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
September 12	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
October 8-10	Charlotte	Governance Committee Meeting
October 17	1 pm EST	Board of Regents Meeting
November 7	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
December 5	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
January 9	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
January 16	1 pm EST	Board of Regents Meeting
February 13	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
March 6	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
March 11		Final date to submit governance items for April BOR agenda
April 13-17		NJCAA Convention (Denton, Texas)/Board of Regents Meeting
May 15	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
June 12	1 pm EST	Governance Committee Meeting
June 18	1 pm EST	Board of Regents Meeting
July 14		Final date to receive governance proposals for October 2025 BOR

Committee Roster

Name

Chair:	Darin Monroe
Vice-Chair:	Jake Ripple
Division I Reps:	Dean Myrick Alison Mohr
Division II Reps:	Ron Riggle Melissa Grau
Division III Reps:	Amanda Haseley Sadiah Jones
PAC Rep:	Derrick Worrels
Senior Women's Administrator:	Mary Young
Senior Men's Administrator:	Rob Nielsen
Ex-Officio:	Marci Henry
NJCAA Staff Liaison:	Brett Monaghan and Rod Lovett

Tier 1: In-Person Charlotte (Governance Only)

- Ejection Policies
 - Committee determined that ejection policies need a full evaluation and will work to make time in future Sports Governance meetings to review in 2024-25 for potential 2025-26 rollout, ejection percentages, presented by Rob Nielson, were approved. The only sport currently with a chart is Baseball and that will be updated and placed on resource page. We will also be moving forward with soccer next week and hopefully basketball in early October.
 - Sportsmanship Roundtable – violent vs. non-violent, collegial vs. non-collegial, bench
 - Ejections during scrimmages.
- Redshirt Policies
 - Reviewed NCAA communication, discussed football as the exception, need approval of NCAA to change by-law working alongside the Student-Athlete Experience Committee, Brett will communicate with NCAA, Michelle, Rod, and Jake Ripple to further that conversation and push request to NCAA Student-Athlete Experience Committee. Have what each sport % would look like in excel sheet.

Tier 1: In-Person Charlotte (Joint Governance/Eligibility)

- JV, Prep, Club, Non-Member Contests
 - Seems to be standing agreement that prep schools should be eliminated from being a viable regular season opponent. Marketing reviewing steps with Presto to determine if contests against these opponent types can be pulled at end of season for record and stat purposes.
- Open Gyms, Camps, Clinics: **Possibly already created?**
- Eligibility
 - Minimum number of contests to be considered for post season eligibility
 - Minimum roster numbers submitted for eligibility to be certified
 - Recruitable student-athletes from discontinued or level changing programs

Tier 1: Remotely

- Forfeiture of Games, Impact on non-guilty team
 - Need to review current language and sort out what, if anything, can be adjusted to accommodate those who were not charged with a by-law infraction and how they don't lose contests due to their schedule being affected by a program that must forfeit contests.
- To Participate Unattached
 - Wrestling and Track & Field conversations. Brett will contact chairs of each committee to determine where these groups are at with potentially pushing some sort of language forward for SG review.

Tier 2: Remotely

- Sports Gambling
 - SG Committee will create a position statement to go along with other like statements in the handbook. Will utilize NCAA policy to drive this documentation. **Develop a statement of awareness?**
- Uniform Sponsorship Rules: Rod Lovett
- National Tournament/World Series Seeding, At-Large participation: should there be limits?
 - National Championship host auto-bids
- Allowable Meal Reimbursement – **more than 2x per year?**
 - Darin will work with Mary Young to come up with language to present to the SG Committee.
- Post season facility requirements – updated district contracts to include language from Article IX and ask membership to update contracts where necessary **Communicate what post-season facilities requirements are. No change needed from governance.**
- Preseason polls: District rankings replace? Teams to watch?
- Vetting process for awards tied to individual names
- Forfeit/Non-Collegial Language

Tier 3: Remotely

- All-American recognition/terminology
 - NJCAA Marketing team will evaluate numbers, language, etc. and report back to Sports Governance Committee including numbers at each level in each sport
- Divisional Sports DI & DIII vs. DI & DII
 - Current by law does not exist, Sports Governance will be able to evaluate these as they are presented to us **NEED DISCUSSION ON MEN's and Women's Tennis this fall for potential change to DI and DII in future.**
- Regular season contests following the beginning of post season play
 - Currently they can only be scrimmages.
- Coaches Dress Decorum at National Tournaments
- Travel out-of-state/ out-of-area for practices with no scrimmages or games.
- Transgender Policy Proposal
 - Submitted by Dean Myrick