



BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
of the **NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**
October 17, 2024



MINUTES

1. Call to Order.

Troy Tucker, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. EST on October 17, 2024.

2. Roll Call.

Present: Troy Tucker (Board Chair); Kerri-Ann McTiernan (Vice Chair); Mary Young (Women's Senior Administrator); Rob Nielson (Men's Senior Administrator); Jerry Smith (R1); Mike St. John (R2); Kristen Schuth (R3); Darin Monroe (R4); Deron Clark (R5); Mike Saddler (R6); Bobby Hudson (R7); Rob Chaney (R8); Marci Henry (R9); Lind Hartsell (R10); Thom McDonald (R11); Dale Vos (R12); Kurt Kohler (R13); Dr. Tim Drain (R14); Chris DePew (R15); Darren Pannier (R16); David Elder (R17); Joel Bate (R18); Katie Amundson (R19); Jo Ann Rogers (R20); Tommy Stewart (R21); Ron Riggle (R24); Dr. Tony Miksa (PC East Central); Dr. Myles Shelton (PC Southwest); Dr. Dan Kinney, Jr. (PC Central); Dr. Michael Calvert (PC Northwest); Michelle Ivey (At-Large); Melissa Grau (At-Large); Michelle Silcox (At-Large); Derrick Worrels (At-Large)

Absent: Dean Myrick (R22); Steve Martin (R23); Dr. Margaret McMenamin (PC Northeast); Dr. Larissa Littleton-Steib (At-Large)

NJCAA Staff Liaisons in Attendance: Dr. Christopher Parker (NJCAA President and CEO); Jeff White (Counsel to the Board of Regents; Christopher Haley (Vice President for Membership and Development)

Other NJCAA Staff Members in Attendance: Michelle Meadows; Dr. Brett Monaghan; Rod Lovett; Andrew Givens; Kalyn Fetter; Jerry McCarty; Wanda Bodey; Tyler Broderick; Carly Pitts; Lauren Pritchett; Kerri Askew

3. Recognition of Guests.

Guests: Ryan Spry (R22 Proxy); Mark Tucker; Kyle Roepnack; Jake Ripple; Mark Puev; Saadia Jones

Approval of Agenda.

MOTION to approve the agenda by Jerry Smith; **SECONDED** by Lind Hartsell. **PASSES**

4. Consideration of June 2024 and September 2024 Meeting Minutes.

MOTION to approve minutes by Dr. Tim Drain; **SECONDED** by Lind Hartsell. **PASSES**

5. Board Chair Updates.

a. Discussion Items – Chair Troy Tucker

- Thanked Sports Governance Committee and Eligibility Committee for work completed at retreat on October 8-10.
- Gave update on Board of Regents meeting minutes formatting moving forward.
- Congratulated Dr. Parker on recent appointments to various national Boards.

- Along with Vice Chair McTiernan, discussed strategic plan and importance of work being done to develop correct metrics.

6. NJCAA National Office Updates.

a. CEO Update – Dr. Christopher Parker

- Thanked Sports Governance Committee and Eligibility Committee for the recent work done at Charlotte, NC retreat.
- Spoke on NJCAA Day, the Helping Hands Award, and potential studio space for the multimedia team.
- Provided additional updates on the strategic plan.

b. Operations – Michelle Meadows

- October Personnel Report

c. Membership and Development – Christopher Haley

- 2024-25 membership process
- 2025 NJCAA Convention
- Student Success Data

d. Championships, Marketing, and Sports Governance – Dr. Brett Monaghan

- Fall 2024 championships
- Future championship site review
- Brief synopsis on NJCAA Day

e. Compliance and Government Relations – Jeff White

- Government relations update.
- Update on tiered sanctions, audits, appeals, and sportsmanship.

7. NJCAA Board Updates.

a. Treasurer’s Report – Dale Vos

- Net income of \$245,415.41 for 2023-24.
- Positive revenue variances to budget in licensing, event registration, corporate sponsors, and tournament guarantees.
- Annual audit should be ready by the January 2025 Board of Regents meeting.

MOTION to approve the quarterly financial report as presented by Dale Vos; **SECONDED** by Tommy Stewart. **PASSES**

a. NJCAA Standing Committee/Council Reports.

b. Eligibility Committee – Rob Chaney, Chair

Action Items:

- None

Discussion Items:

- Increasing the age from 19 to 20 in the amateurism bylaws (Article V, Section 4).
- Extending the academic gride from 6 semester to 10.
- Creating language for mental health hardships.
- Creating a force majeure clause for teams that cannot complete their seasons.

c. Sports Governance Committee – Darin Monroe, Chair

Action Items:

- Policy Manual update on Ejection Form eliminating the double suspension of student-athletes. The double suspension is still in effect for the head coaches. This policy update will go into effect beginning with Winter 2024 sports.

Discussion Items:

- Discussion on bylaw separation for Divisions I and II, and a separate set for Division III.

MOTION to approve by Dr. Tim Drain; **SECONDED** by Jerry Smith. **PASSES**

d. Championship Events Committee – Jerry Smith, Chair

- **Division III Baseball Championship**

Hosted by the following: Visit Johnson City in Johnson City, Tennessee in 2026 & 2028, and Cayuga Community College Athletics in Auburn, New York in 2027.

PASSES 27-1-3

- **Division III Outdoor Track & Field Championship**

Hosted by Mohawk Valley Community College – Utica, NY in 2026, 2027, 2028.

PASSES 27-4

- **Division II Women’s Golf Championship**

Hosted by Des Moines Area Community College – Boone, IA in 2025.

PASSES 28-0-1

- **Division III Women’s Basketball Championship Schedule Changes**

PASSES 26-0-3

- **Division II Softball – 2026-2028 Championship Date Shift**

PASSES 29-0-0

e. Presidents’ Commission - Dr. Michael Calvert

- Report on committee work being done in the Association.

f. Student Athlete Welfare and Safety Council – Kyle Roepnack, Chair

- Update on Spring 2024 survey results.
- Creating a database for athletic trainers at each institution.

g. Appeals Committee – Vice Chair Kerri-Ann McTiernan

Action Items:

- **Item #5001 – Appeals Bylaw Update**

Bylaw update is to codify and clarify the current Appeals Committee process (Article VIII. Section 3.D. and Article VIII. 3.F), instituting one process and one set of requirements, and will go into effect immediately.

MOTION to approve by Kerri-Ann McTiernan; **SECONDED** by Kristen Schuth. **PASSES**

10. Action Items.

a. Item #2001 – New Member Applications – Christopher Haley

MOTION to approve by Rob Chaney; **SECONDED** by Dr. Tim Drain.

- **Drake State Community and Technical College**
Huntsville, AL | Region 22
PASSES 31-0-0
- **Forsyth Technical Community College**
Winston-Salem, NC | Region 10
PASSES 31-0-0
- **Drake State Community and Technical College**
Peosta, IA | Region 11
PASSES 31-0-0
- **Robeson Community College**
Lumberton, NC | Region 10
PASSES 31-0-0

b. Item #2002 – Selecting the Select Brilliant as the Official Soccer Ball of the NJCAA – Dr. Brett Monaghan

MOTION to approve by Dr. Tim Drain; **SECONDED** by Jerry Smith. **PASSES 28-2-1**

11. Discussion Items.

a. Item #2003 – Submission of Compliance Designee – Jeff White and Christopher Haley

- Establishes designated compliance officer at each campus.

b. Item #2004 – Discussion on Member Not-In-Good Standing – Jeff White

- Denmark Technical College is currently a member not-in-good standing as they have been brought to a total of 30 points in tiered sanctions.
- Discussion of timeline of points accrued and explanation of process for reinstatement.

12. Executive Session.

- Chair Tucker announced the Board's next meeting in January
- Move into Executive Session to discuss Dr. Parker's annual review.

MOTION to move into Executive Session by Tommy Stewart; **SECONDED** by Lind Hartsell.

13. Adjournment.

MOTION to adjourn by David Elder; **SECONDED** by Marci Henry.

The meeting adjourned 3:11pm.