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2026 NJCAA Board of Regents Call for Nominations

Select the position to which this nomination applies. Vice Chair

Nominee Information

Nominee Name	KerriAnn McTiernan
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Nominee Title/Position	Director of Athletics
Nominee Member College/Organization	Nassau Community College
Nominee Region	15

Nominator Information

Nominator Name	Mike Belfiore
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Nominator Title/Position	Director of Athletics
Nominator Member College/Organization	Westchester Community College
Nominator Region	15
Is the nominee aware that you are submitting them for nomination?	Yes

KERRI-ANN McTIERNAN

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NATIONAL SPORTS EXECUTIVE | COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS GOVERNANCE LEADER | ASSOCIATION & INSTITUTIONAL STRATEGIST

Transformational athletics executive with 25+ years of leadership experience advancing intercollegiate athletics, shaping national governance, and building high-performing programs aligned with institutional priorities.

Elected Vice Chair of the Executive Board of the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA), responsible for guiding governance, policy, and strategic direction for 500+ member institutions and nearly 70,000 student-athletes nationwide.

Recognized for strengthening institutional visibility, expanding revenue and enrollment pipelines, and developing championship-level programs grounded in academic success and inclusive leadership.

Trailblazing leader- first woman in USA to serve as head coach of a collegiate men's basketball program.

Recipient of the NJCAA Award for Excellence and NJCAA Leadership & Service Award.

EXECUTIVE CAREER IMPACT

National Governance Leadership

Vice Chair of NJCAA Executive Board guiding governance and strategy for 500+ colleges and 70,000 student-athletes.

Championship Program Leadership & Development

Direct program producing 9 NJCAA National Championships, 170 NJCAA All-American student-athletes; pioneering emerging sports positioning the institution as a regional leader.

Revenue Growth & Partnership Expansion

Delivered 400% donor growth, launched scholarship endowment, and secured \$350K+ annually through strategic partnerships.

Operational & Organizational Transformation

Optimized departmental performance, enhanced retention, and elevated student-athlete development and support systems.

STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP PORTFOLIO

Enrollment & Institutional Growth

Leveraged athletics recruiting strategy and regional partnerships to support enrollment growth and institutional visibility.

Revenue Generation & Advancement

Developed donor engagement initiatives, producing 400% growth in philanthropic support, and established scholarship endowment funding.

Brand & Market Positioning

Directed athletics brand development and digital engagement strategy, expanding recruitment reach and institutional reputation.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE INFLUENCE

National Governance Executive Leadership

Vice Chair of the NJCAA Executive Board guiding governance, strategy, and policy across the 500+ member nationwide Association.

Association-Wide Policy Development

Lead initiatives shaping governance structures, compliance frameworks, and long-term strategy for member institutions.

National Appeals Oversight

Chair, NJCAA Appeals Committee, overseeing national governance and compliance adjudication.

Regional Governance Leadership

Executive Director of NJCAA Region XV, directing governance and policy alignment for 17 member institutions across New York.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

NASSAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE (SUNY) Garden City, NY

Assistant Vice President, Athletics | 2024 – Present

Senior institutional leader/cabinet member aligning athletics strategy with institutional enrollment growth, student success, and organizational priorities.

Leadership Impact

- Provide executive leadership for strategic planning, operational oversight, and policy development.
- Align athletics recruitment strategy with institutional enrollment and retention objectives.
- Direct operational and financial planning supporting institutional performance outcomes.

Director of Athletics | 2016 – 2024

Chief athletics executive responsible for strategic leadership of a nationally competitive athletics program serving 450+ student-athletes and 70+ coaches and staff.

Leadership Impact

- Leader of nationally prominent program with 9 National Championships and 170 All-Americans.
- Achieved 400% growth in athletics donor giving and established scholarship endowment funding.
- Led athletics brand transformation, expanding recruitment reach and institutional visibility.
- Introduced emerging sports programs, strengthening regional market leadership.
- Built partnerships generating \$350K+ annually in enrollment and program support.

EARLY EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

Fashion Institute of Technology (SUNY) | Director of Athletics & Recreation | 2001 – 2016

- Increased national championship qualifications 70%| Led 12 teams to Top 10 national finishes
- Kingsborough Community College (CUNY)| Director of Athletics & Head Coach | 1993 – 2000**
- First woman in the United States to coach a collegiate men's basketball program
- Rebuilt program from 3 wins to CUNY Champions

EDUCATION

Doctor of Education (Ed.D.), Higher Education Leadership, ABD| St. John's University

Master of Public Administration (MPA) | Long Island University

Bachelor of Arts — Public Health Medicine | Johns Hopkins University



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February 20, 2026

Dear NJCAA Board of Regents Members:

I am pleased to write in strong support of Kerri-Ann McTiernan for the position of Vice Chair of the NJCAA Board of Regents.

Kerri has exemplified exceptional leadership in her role as Assistant Vice President of Athletics at Nassau Community College (NCC), and I am confident she will continue to bring the same level of dedication, enthusiasm, and expertise to her service as an Officer of the NJCAA Board of Regents. Having worked with her for the past decade, I have witnessed the meaningful impact she has had on NCC's growth and success. She has effectively overseen staff, driven important initiatives forward, and provided invaluable guidance to student-athletes in both their academic and career development. Her professionalism, reliability, and tireless work ethic consistently set her apart as a respected administrator and mentor.

Widely regarded as a knowledgeable and accomplished leader, Kerri brings a wealth of experience and a proven history of achievement. Since the formation of the NJCAA Board of Regents in 2018, she has been one of six individuals elected to serve as an Executive Officer. In that role, she has helped shape the organization's mission, financial stewardship, and long-term strategy for more than 500 member institutions supporting nearly 70,000 student-athletes. What distinguishes her most is the sincerity and intentionality she brings to every aspect of her work.

I understand that Officer elections will be held during the April Board of Regents meeting. Over the course of more than 25 years serving as an NJCAA and Region XV Officer and leader, Kerri has demonstrated consistent effectiveness, collaboration, and commitment to the Association's mission. She values her professional relationships and remains deeply dedicated to advancing the work of the NJCAA. As the current Vice Chair of the NJCAA Board of Regents, she has already shown strong leadership in this capacity, and I am confident that her continued service will further strengthen the organization and position it for ongoing success.

I fully endorse Kerri-Ann McTiernan for NJCAA Board of Regents Vice Chair.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Maria P. Conzatti', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Maria P. Conzatti, Ed.D.
Chief Administrative Officer

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