



BOARD OF REGENTS MEETING
of the **NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**
June 18th, 2026

MINUTES

1) Call to Order

Troy Tucker, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. EST on June 18th, 2026.

2) Roll Call

Present: Troy Tucker (Board Chair); Kerri-Ann McTiernan (Vice Chair); Mary Young (Women’s Senior Administrator); Dean Myrick (Men’s Senior Administrator); Jerry Smith (R1); Chris Parker (R2); Kristen Schuth (R3); Darin Monroe (R4); Wayne Baker (R5-Proxy); Mike Saddler (R6); Bobby Hudson (R7); Rob Chaney (R8); Marci Henry (R9); Lind Hartsell (R10); Thom McDonald (R11); Dale Vos (R12); Kurt Kohler (R13); Michael Landers (R14-Proxy); Michael Belfiore (R15); Darren Pannier (R16); David Elder (R17); Joel Bate (R18); Katie Amundson (R19); Jo Ann Todaro (R20); Tommy Stewart (R21); Michelle Ivey (R22); Steve Martin (R23); Ron Riggle (R24); Dr. Dan Kinney, Jr. (PC Central); Dr. Greg Hodges (PC East Central); Melissa Grau (At-Large); Michelle Silcox (At-Large); Derrick Worrels (At-Large)

Absent: Dr. Tim Drain (R14); Dr. Myles Shelton (PC Southwest); Thomas Huebner (PC Southeast); Dr. Margaret McMenamin (PC Northeast); Larissa Littleton-Steib (At-Large)

NJCAA Staff in Attendance: Dr. Christopher Parker (President and CEO); Jeff White (Counsel to the Board of Regents, Chief Legal Officer and Senior Vice President-Internal Affairs); Michelle Meadows (Senior Vice President-COO & CFO); Dr. Brett Monaghan (Vice President for Championships, Membership, and Sports Governance); Andrew Givens (Vice President for Marketing, Multimedia, Partnerships, and Community Outreach); Rod Lovett (Assistant Vice President for Sports Governance and Regional Leadership); Wanda Bodey (Senior Director of Compliance & Eligibility); Holly Steuerwald (Director of Membership); Kelsi Weeks (Director of Sport Operations and Championships); Diana Beltran (Accounting and Financial Manager); Kerri Askew (Executive Assistant & Human Resources Coordinator); Tyler Broderick (Senior Compliance Associate); Bobby Alexander (Compliance Associate); Jerry McCarty (Sports Operations and Championships Associate); Rebekah Cook (Sports Operations and Championships Associate); Wolf Brethorst (Sports Operations and Championships Associate); and Brycen McKeegan (Sports Governance Associate)

3) Recognition of Guests

Deron Clark (Murray State College)

4) Approval of Agenda

Tabled Items:

- a. Championships and Alignment Committee:
 - i. Proposal 5062 – Bowling – Tournament Format Change
 - ii. Proposal 5070 – Men’s Wrestling – District Qualifications

Agenda Adjustments:

- a. Chair Tucker requested that executive session be added to the agenda
MOTION to approve amendments by Rob Chaney **SECONDED** by Dale Vos
PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

5) Consideration of April 2026 Meeting Minutes

MOTION to approve minutes by Ron Riggle; **SECONDED** by Chris Parker
PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

6) Board Chair Updates (Troy Tucker, Board Chair)

Board Chair Troy Tucker provided several important updates for the group. He noted that Dr. Parker's evaluation is scheduled to take place tomorrow June 19th at the national office, marking an important step in the review process.

He also reminded members that the declaration to compete for fall and winter sports is due by July 1, emphasizing the importance of timely submission; institutions that do not plan to participate are asked to notify Sport Governance directly at sportgovernance@njcaa.org.

In addition, he shared that committee selections have been finalized. Notifications will be distributed in phases, with Board of Regents members being informed on July 6, committee chairs on July 8, and the full committee rosters released on July 15. At-large representatives for the Board of Regents will also be selected once all regional and presidential representation has been finalized.

7) NJCAA National Office Updates

CEO Report – Dr. Christopher Parker

An update was provided on the Senate bill, including how the NJCAA is incorporated, along with an update on the NCAA Division I Council's expected vote on the 23rd–24th. Appreciation was extended to Board Chair Troy Tucker and Vice Chair Kerri-Ann McTiernan for attending the week in Charlotte. Senior Men's Administrator Dean Myrick and Senior Women's Administrator Mary Young were also recognized. Brett Monaghan congratulated the 2026 Spring Championships, and it was also announced that Ms. Meadows is a finalist for *Sports Business Journal* CFO of the Year.

8) Presidents Commission (Dr. Dan Kinney, Jr., Commission Chair)

The committee did not convene due to scheduling conflicts. Board members are reminded to notify Dr. Kinney via email if their president is departing, as he may not always be informed of such changes.

9) NJCAA Board Updates

a. Finance Committee (Dale Vos, Board Treasurer)

i. Treasurer's Quarterly Report - [Supplement No. 02]

As of the end of Q3, financial performance is tracking as expected, with 93% of projected income and 83% of expenses realized. Year-end projections indicate income exceeding budget by approximately 13% and expenses by about 10%, resulting in a positive net cash position of roughly \$190,000 compared to a budgeted deficit of \$9,500.

Total net income, including investment earnings, is projected to significantly exceed expectations. Key revenue increases include event sponsorships (+30%), event registration (+40%, driven by the Summer Seminar), NJCAA Network revenue (+100%), and corporate sponsorships (+30%), while championship income remains relatively flat. Expenses remain largely consistent with prior reports, with minor overages in health insurance, IT, audit, and network costs; additional Summer Seminar expenses are fully offset by related revenue.

MOTION to approve by Mary Young; **SECONDED** by Michelle Ivey
PASSES UNANIMOUSLY

ii. **Item #5081 – [Supplement No. 03] Proposed 2026-2027 Fiscal Budget**

The FY27 budget reflects a comprehensive review of revenue and expenses, with adjustments made to preserve core strategic priorities while offsetting cost increases. Overall revenue is projected to grow by 7.8%, driven by stronger corporate partnerships (+21%) and changes to the NJCAA Network agreement, which shift full streaming revenue to the NJCAA while adding related expenses. Membership is projected to decline slightly, and championship revenue remains steady. Additional income from fees and fines will be directed toward member education initiatives.

Expenses are projected to increase by 12.6%, largely due to higher healthcare premiums, modest salary adjustments, audit and IT cost increases, and changes related to the NJCAA Network and service providers. Staffing adjustments include reclassifying one position and reducing reliance on consultants. Due to these factors and the final year of the current dues structure, the Finance Committee recommends a one-time use of FY26 cash reserves to balance the budget.

MOTION to approve by Chris Parker; **SECONDED** by Michelle Silcox
PASSES 26-1 with 2 abstentions

iii. **Personnel Report [Supplement No. 04]**

Jeff White noted that full-time equivalent (FTE) staffing levels at the national office have remained consistent, with no net increase.

10) NJCAA Standing Committee/Council Reports

a. **Eligibility Committee (Rob Chaney, Committee Chair)**

i. April Meeting Report [**Supplement No. 05**]

Tiered Sanctions subcommittee. (Lind Hartsell, Subcommittee Chair)

Lind Harsell Thanked the Tiered Sanctions Committee and we have two items for consideration:

i. **Discussion Item #5079– Adjusting Point Total Penalties (NJCAA Tiered Sanction Policy)**

A Canvas assignment has been implemented for the Athletic Director, Assistant Athletic Director, and Compliance Officer. Each participant is required to achieve a score of 80% or higher. If this standard is not met, a follow-up virtual session will be scheduled. The goal is to ensure that as many administrators as possible are properly educated on the policy.

ii. **Discussion Item #5080 – Adjusting Sanctions for Bylaw Violations**

The primary focus was ensuring that the appropriate tiers are assigned correctly. Several adjustments were made, including redistributing items so that not everything falls within Tier 1—some elements were moved out, while others were added across different tiers.

It is important to emphasize that tiered sanctions were never intended to be punitive. Rather, they were designed to create a more balanced approach, recognizing that a one-size-fits-all model is not effective and allowing for more proportional and flexible responses.

MOTION to send to electronic vote Mike Saddler **SECONDED** Michelle Silcox

All of these changes will be shared with the board following this meeting. An electronic vote will be distributed on June 30, allowing board members sufficient time to communicate the updates within their respective regions.

b. Appeals Committee (Kerri-Ann McTiernan, Committee Chair)

No report at this time.

c. Sports Governance Committee (Darin Monroe, Committee Chair)

i. May Meeting Report [Supplement No. 06]

ii. Item #5041 – [Supplement No. 07] National Tournament Start Date

Amendment proposed by Darin Monroe to strike the language regarding Super Regional from the proposal. **MOTION** to approve the amendment as stated by Kurt Kohler; **SECONDED** by Ron Riggle.

PASSES ON AMENDMENT PASSES - UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION to approve as amended by Ron Riggle; **SECONDED** by Michelle Ivy

PASSES 28-1 with 1 abstention

iii. Item #5042 – [Supplement No. 08] College Provided Housing

PASSES 26-1 with 3 abstentions

iv. Item #5043 – [Supplement No. 09] Scholarship Only: Scheduling Club/Prep/JV Programs

PASSES 26-0 with 2 abstentions

v. Item #5044 – [Supplement No. 10] Non-Scholarship Only: Scheduling Club/Prep/JV Programs

PASSES 21-0 with 9 abstentions

vi. Item #5045 – [Supplement No. 11] Bowling – Max Number of Balls from 5 to 6

PASSES 20-0 with 10 abstentions

vii. Item #5046 – [Supplement No. 12] DIII Baseball Poll Date Change

PASSES 20-1 with 9 abstentions

viii. Item #5047 – [Supplement No. 13] DI/DII MW Basketball Poll Date Change

PASSES 29-0 with 1 abstention

ix. Item #5048 – [Supplement No. 14] Women's Basketball-Jersey Tuck in Rule

PASSES 19-10 with 1 abstention

x. Item #5049 – [Supplement No. 15] DI Court Volleyball-Substitution Limits

PASSES 29-0 with 1 abstention

xi. Item #5050 – [Supplement No. 16] DII Court Volleyball-Substitution Limits

PASSES 26-0 with 4 abstentions

xii. Item #5051 – [Supplement No. 17] DIII Court Volleyball-Substitution Limits

PASSES 22-0 with 7 abstentions

xiii. Item #5052 – [Supplement No. 18] DIII Football-All Americans

PASSES 17-0 with 13 abstentions

xiv. Item #5053 – [Supplement No. 19] DI/DII MW Soccer Poll Date Change

PASSES 28-1 with 1 abstention

xv. Item #5054 – [Supplement No. 20] MW Soccer – Yellow Card Accumulation

PASSES 26-2 with 1 abstention

- xvi. Item #5055 – **[Supplement No. 21]** Track & Field – Entries Eligibility
PASSES 25-0 with 4 abstentions
- xvii. Item #5056 – **[Supplement No. 22]** Track & Field – Scrimmage Dates
PASSES 24-1 with 5 abstentions
- xviii. Item #5057 – **[Supplement No. 23]** Wrestling – Daily Match Limit
PASSES 20-0 with 10 abstentions
- xix. Item #5058 – **[Supplement No. 24]** Wrestling – Doesn't Make Weight Day 2
PASSES 20-1 with 8 abstentions
- d. **Championship and Alignment Committee (Mr. Mike Saddler, Committee Chair)**
 - i. May Meeting Minute Report **[Supplement No. 25]**
 - ii. Item #5059 – **[Supplement No. 26]** – Beach Volleyball- Championship Bracket
PASSES 22-0, with 6 abstentions
 - iii. Item #5060 – **[Supplement No. 27]** – Beach Volleyball – Championship Qualification
PASSES 20-0, with 8 abstentions
 - iv. Item #5061 – **[Supplement No. 28]** – Bowling – Entry Submission Deadline
PASSES 16-0 with 13 abstentions
 - v. Item #5063 – **[Supplement No. 30]** – Bowling – Tournament Format Change – Single Elimination
PASSES 15-1, with 13 abstentions
 - vi. Item #5064 – **[Supplement No. 31]** – DI M/W & DII M Golf – Change in Format
PASSES 25-1, with 4 abstention
 - vii. Item #5065 – **[Supplement No. 32]** – DI Volleyball Elimination of Match 24
PASSES 25-1, with 2 abstentions
 - viii. Item #5066 – **[Supplement No. 33]** – DII Volleyball – All Tournament Awards
PASSES 25-1, with 4 abstentions
 - ix. Item #5067 – **[Supplement No. 34]** – Flag Football – Status Proposal
PASSES 24-0 with 4 abstentions
 - x. Item #5068 – **[Supplement No. 35]** – Cross Country/Half-Marathon – Increase in Entry Fees
PASSES 20-5 with 3 abstentions
 - xi. Item #5069 – **[Supplement No. 36]** – Lacrosse – Tournament Qualifying and Selection Process
PASSES 15-0 with 15 abstentions
 - xii. Item #5071 – **[Supplement No. 38]** – Men's Wrestling – Entry Deadline
PASSES 21-1 with 9 abstentions
 - xiii. Item #5072 – **[Supplement No. 39]** – Men's Wrestling – Qualification for the National Tournament
PASSES 21-0, with 8 abstentions

xiv. Item #5073 – [Supplement No. 40] – Track & Field – Coach Verification

PASSES 24-0 with 3 abstentions

xv. Item #5074 – [Supplement No. 41] – Track & Field – Entry Deadline

PASSES 25-0 with 3 abstentions

xvi. Item #5075 – [Supplement No. 42] – Track & Field – Multi Top 16 Qualifier Deadline

PASSES 27-0 with 3 abstentions

xvii. Item #5076 – [Supplement No. 43] – Track & Field – Qualifying Marks

PASSES 26-0 with 3 abstentions

xviii. Item #5077 – [Supplement No. 44] – Track & Field – Relay Heat Information

PASSES 26-0 with 4 abstentions

xix. Item #5078 – [Supplement No. 45] – Track & Field – Vertical Jump-Starting Height

PASSES 25-0 with 5 abstentions

e. **Membership Committee (Dr. Brett Monaghan)**

Brett Monaghan reported that three new members have been successfully advanced through the process and that an onboarding plan has been developed, including several educational components they will complete. He is also working with a small group of prospective institutions, with at least two potential new members expected for the board's review in August.

With the membership committee now established, a campus visit component will be implemented, involving regional representatives traveling to evaluate prospective schools. Communication outlining these updates will be shared with the membership in the coming weeks.

11) Action Items

- a. Item #4006 – [Supplement No. 46] – NJCAA Board of Regents Meeting Agendas (Troy Tucker, Board Chair)

MOTION to approve by Rob Chaney; **SECONDED** by Ron Riggle

PASSES 28-2

12.) Discussion Items

- a. Item #2007 – **Soccer Rule Accommodations (Rod Lovett, AVP for Sports Governance and Regional Leadership)**

A comprehensive spreadsheet outlining all proposed changes to the NCAA rulebook will be distributed to the Board for review. These items will be voted on electronically, with the National Office issuing the ballot on June 30. This timeline provides the Board with 12 days to circulate the information to their respective regions prior to voting.

13.) Executive Session

- a. **MOTION** to enter Executive Session was made by Troy Tucker and **SECONDED** by Darin Monroe. The Board entered Executive Session at 2:19 p.m.
- b. The Board exited Executive Session and returned to open session at 2:42pm. No formal action was taken during Executive Session.
- c. Upon return to open session, Rob Chaney moved a **MOTION** to the floor to add “up to” a postseason ban to the current language in our handbook and make that retroactive to 25-26, which would remove postseason bans from four (4) teams for 2026-27. The eligibility committee was charged by Chair Tucker

with developing a proposal for the board to vote on in 2026-27 which would clean up the language regarding postseason bans. The motion was **SECONDED** by Michelle Silcox.

PASSES 24-5 with 1 abstention

14.) Closing Remarks

- a. 2026-2027 meeting schedule will be released in the coming weeks.

15.) Adjournment

MOTION to adjournment by Troy Tucker, **SECONDED** by Kerri Ann McTiernan

PASSES UNANIMOUSLY