

**REPORT OF THE  
NCAA DIVISION III WOMEN'S GOLF COMMITTEE  
AUGUST 26, 2015, TELECONFERENCE**

**ACTION ITEMS.**

**1. Legislative Items.**

- None.

**2. Nonlegislative Items.**

- **Minimum Participant Requirement Waiver.**
  - a. Recommendation: To continue to waive normal application of the automatic qualification legislation and for championship selection for the 2015-16 academic year such that an institution shall count a contest if the institution satisfies the following: four participants (instead of five participants) completing six contests or eight rounds of 18 holes.
  - b. Effective Date: Immediate.
  - c. Rationale: Women's golf has been operating with the waiver for several years and the sport has grown. Legislation has been proposed to reduce the minimum number of participants for sports sponsorship from five to four beginning with the 2016-17 academic year. The committee supports the legislation being proposed and in an effort to bridge a possible gap, proposes to extend the waiver one more year for the 2015-16 academic year.
  - d. Estimated Budget Impact. None.
  - e. Student-Athlete Impact. Relaxing the standard for an additional year will increase the opportunity for institutions in conferences with automatic qualification and for at-large institutions, who have been unable to increase their roster size, to be selected for the championships. In addition, it will allow their student-athletes to experience the championships.

*Committee Chair: Melanee Wagener, Mount St. Joseph University*  
*Staff Liaison(s): Nancy O'Hara; Championships and Alliances*

<b>Teleconference Date: August 26, 2015</b>	
<b>Attendees</b>	<b>Absentees</b>
Skip Molitor, Whitman College	Melanee Wagener, Mount St. Joseph

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Josh Schroeder, Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference	Brad Duckworth, Alverno College
Deb Steward, William Smith College	
<b>Other Attendees:</b>	