THE REPORT OF THE
NCAA HONORS COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 13, 2017, MEETING

ACTION ITEMS.

• None.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

1. Welcome. President Benson welcomed the committee members.

2. Committee report. The committee approved the report of its June 27, 2017, teleconference.

3. Policies and procedures. The committee received a copy of the it’s policies and procedures. No action was taken.

4. Honors Celebration overview. Ms. Preston updated the committee on the 2018 Honors Celebration, which will be held Wednesday, January 17, 2018, at the Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis, Indiana. Ms. Preston reported the following schedule:

• 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Honoree Luncheon (Honorees and Honors Committee members.)
• Rehearsal and media opportunities for honorees
• 4:45 – 5:45 p.m. – Honoree Reception (Honorees and their guests, Honors Committee, NCAA senior staff.)
• 6 – 9 p.m. – Honors Celebration (all attendees)
• 9 p.m. – Dessert Reception (all attendees)

Staff noted that Honors Committee Convention registration information will be forwarded to the committee by September 15, 2017.

5. Today’s Top 10 selections. The committee selected the following individuals to receive the 2018 NCAA Today’s Top 10 awards:

a. Kasey Cooper, softball, Auburn University (Division I).

b. Marie Coors, golf, Saint Leo University (Division II).

c. Elizabeth Crist, soccer, Washington University in St. Louis (Division III).

d. Sarah Gibson, swimming, Texas A&M University, College Station (Division I).

e. Danielle Galyer, swimming, University of Kentucky (Division I).
f. Riley Hanson, volleyball, Concordia University, St. Paul (Division II).

g. Thai-Son Kwiatkowski, tennis, University of Virginia (Division I).

h. Amy Regan, track and field, Stevens Institute of Technology (Division III).

i. Deko Ricketts, track and field, Washington University in St. Louis (Division III).

j. Maggie Steffens, water polo, Stanford University (Division I).

6. Public member replacement. The committee discussed a replacement for Ms. Henning, whose term ends at the close of the 2018 NCAA Convention. Committee members were asked to forward names of potential candidates to staff or President Benson. The committee will consider the replacement on a future conference call.

7. Honors Committee chair. The committee will select a chair to replace President Benson during an upcoming conference call or through electronic action.

8. Future meeting. The committee will schedule a conference call for June 2018 once new members have been identified.

9. Other business.

a. Today’s Top 10 review process. The committee discussed ways to improve the Today’s Top 10 Ranking Guidelines and potentially add a scoring component to the materials prior to distribution to the committee. A draft of updated ranking guidelines will be distributed to the committee for review and discussion.

b. Outgoing committee members. The committee recognized the following members whose terms will end at the close of the 2018 NCAA Convention:

(1) Robin Aronold, Holy Family University;

(2) Michael Benson, Eastern Kentucky University;

(3) Sonja Henning, Nike, Inc., and

(4) Bob Mattox, Kennesaw State University.

Committee Chair: Michael Benson, Eastern Kentucky University, Ohio Valley Conference.
Staff Liaisons: Stacey Preston, Communications
Sharon Tufano, Law, policy and governance
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**Attendees:**
- Robin Arnold, Holy Family University
- Heather Benning, Midwest Conference
- Michael Benson, Eastern Kentucky University
- Doris Burke, ESPN
- Sonja Henning, Nike, Inc.
- Christopher Howard, Robert Morris University
- Steve Malchow, Iowa State University
- Bob Mattox, Kennesaw State University
- Wally Walker, Hana Road Partners

**Absentees:**
None.

**Guests in Attendance:**
None.

**NCAA Staff Support in Attendance:**
Stacey Preston, Gloria Roseman and Sharon Tufano.

**Other NCAA Staff Members in Attendance:**
None.