



AGENDA

CCACA IN-PERSON MEETING

Wednesday, February 1, 2006 ~ 10:00 a.m. - Noon (Eastern)
Ced Dempsey Room – First Floor – NCAA National Office

Participants: Amy Huchthausen, America East; Shane Lyons, Lindsey Babcock and Eric Wood, Atlantic Coast; Steve Sturek, Atlantic Sun; Jackie Campbell, Atlantic 10; Joseph D’Antonio, Jason DeAngelis, and Jennifer Condaras, Big East; Ron Loghry, Big Sky; Dawn Turner, Big South; Chad Hawley, Carol Iwaoka, Greg Walter and Elizabeth Moreau, Big Ten; Lori Ebihara and Mary Ellen Enigk, Big 12; Erica Satterfield, Big West; Kathleen Batterson, Colonial Athletic, Charolette Hunt, Conference USA; Stephanie Jarvis and Amy Wisser, Horizon League; Carolyn Campbell-McGovern and Brian Bario, Ivy League; Barbara Church, Metro Atlantic; Angie Torain, Mid-Continent; Sonja Stills, Mid-Eastern Athletic; Patty Viverito and Mary Mulvenna, Missouri Valley; Carolayne Henry and Lisa Danner, Mountain West; Rachelle Held, Northeast; Lee Moses, Ohio Valley; Mike Matthews, Erik Price and Ron Barker, Pac-10; Joanna Kreps, Patriot League; Greg Sankey and Gil Grimes, Southeastern Conference; LaRon Black, Southland; Corey Lima and Jennifer Huggins, Southwestern Athletic Conference; Jennifer Henderson, Sun Belt; Gloria Nevarez, West Coast; Anthony Archbald, Western Athletic.

1. Approval of January 4, 2006 Conference Call Minutes.

► **ACTION:** The minutes were approved.

2. Coaches’ Certification Test Subcommittee Update.

Lindsey Babcock, Atlantic Coast Conference, provided the group with an update from the coaches certification test subcommittee. Babcock reported to expect limited changes to the test due to new legislation. The practice test will be available at the end of March. Each conference will be issued a conference password to gain access to the site. A new feature dealing with statistical reports will be available this year. The question was asked if conferences were obligated to respond to institutions after they reported the results of the coaches certification test. The consensus of the group was that conferences are not obligated to report back to the institutions, although most conferences do as a courtesy.

3. Amateurism Clearinghouse – Registration Form – Update

Lisa Danner, Mountain West Conference, provided the group with an update on the amateurism clearinghouse registration form. The form was in its last stages before signing the final contract with ACT this summer (2006). The amateurism arm of the clearinghouse will be required for the 2007-2008 academic year. The form will deal with both pre-enrollment and post-enrollment (transfers). The NCAA plans on using local high school prospects as a test group for the form. The form will be available in paper form by request only.

4. Level II Secondary Violation Penalty Schedule.

Carolayne Henry, Mountain West Conference, discussed the updated Level II Secondary Penalty Schedule with the group. Concerns were expressed that not all conferences were applying the minimum penalties outlined in the schedule. The sense of the group was to leave it to the discretion of each conference as to how or if the penalty schedule would be used.

5. National Letters of Intent that become null and void -- the application of NCAA Bylaw 13.1.3.3.4 (Telephone Calls Subsequent to National Letter of Intent Signing or Other Written Commitment).

Mary Ellen Enigk, Big 12, requested feedback from the group on whether a prospect who has accepted admission/signed a financial agreement, would fall under NCAA Bylaw 13.1.3.3.4. Specifically, would the prospects be permitted to receive unlimited telephone calls if he/she was not eligible to sign the National Letter of Intent (NLI) due to previously signing an NLI with a different institution? The group agreed that the prospect would be permitted to receive unlimited telephone calls.

6. Incidental Expense Waivers.

Mary Ellen Enigk, Big 12, requested feedback from the group as to whether conference institutions were being asked by the NCAA if the Student-Athlete Opportunity Fund (SAOF) could be used in lieu of an incidental expense waiver. The group responded that some member institutions had been asked this question and agreed this was an inappropriate inquiry. The SAOF should not be a factor in determining whether an incidental expense waiver should be granted.

7. In-service Training (Coaches Helping Coaches) and the Impact of NCAA Bylaw 11.7.1.1.1.4 (Use of Outside Consultants).

Chad Hawley, Big Ten, requested feedback from the group regarding coaches of other institutions being classified as consultants. Specifically, whether it was permissible for a coach of one institution to observe the practice of another institution and provide feedback to the coach regarding the structure of practice, provided there was no interaction between the coach observing practice and the student-athletes. A hot topic on this item was requested to clear up any confusion conferences may be experiencing.

8. NCAA Bylaw 13.1.7.2 (Practice or Competition Sites).

Joseph D'Antonio, Big East, questioned whether there was confusion about the application of Bylaw 13.1.7.2. The group indicated that questions were not being raised and that the application of 13.1.7.2 appears to be clear.

9. Noninstitutional Publications that Report on an Institution's Athletics Programs that are Owned by Recruiting Publications – Issues Related to Media.

Chad Hawley, Big Ten, requested feedback on how to handle the issue of a coach being interviewed by a publication that previously was not a recruiting publication but subsequently had been purchased by a scouting service. It was noted that the Division I Legislative Review and Interpretations Committee was reviewing this issue. Hawley will report back to the group any new developments.

10. Use of Officials for Gymnastic Practice/Intra-Squad Competition.

Erik Price, Pac 10, requested feedback from the group on whether it would be permissible for a gymnastics team to use a judge during an intra-squad competition if the judge provided an explanation of why a particular score was given. The discussion evolved to whether judges in gymnastics intra-squad competitions differed from officials/referees in football or basketball. The group felt that outside judges at gymnastics intra-squad competitions would be considered countable coaches if their evaluation of student-athletes included tips, suggestions or other comments normally associated with coaching. Most people felt that the involvement of judges did not normally amount to coaching, but

- rather that judges offered a simple, objective yardstick useful to coaches as they enter the regular season.
11. **NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1 (Printed Recruiting Materials) and the December 13, 2005 Official Interpretation (Attachments to General Correspondence)**
Mary Ellen Enigk, Big 12, provided the group with follow-up from previous discussions on what was permissible under NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1. Based on the December 13, 2005 official interpretation, it is permissible to send attachments to general correspondence to prospects if the attachments are not produced for a recruiting purpose.
 12. **Division I Subcommittee on Financial Aid. (Ebihara)**
Lori Ebihara, Big 12, reported to the group that the Division I Financial Subcommittee is considering moving all meals legislation in NCAA Bylaw 15 to Bylaw 16. The committee is trying to make legislation related to meals consistent with other legislation. Ebihara requested that feedback on this issue to be emailed to her. One suggestion was to take meals out of the financial aid legislation entirely and allow institutions to provide meals incidental to participation to student-athletes at each institution's discretion.
 13. **Sale of a Student-Athlete's Photograph.**
Mary Mulvenna, MVC, requested a follow-up discussion on the sportsshoooter.com website and how each conference was handling issues related to the website. Currently, institutions are required to send a cease and desist letter to photographers if the photographer is using current student-athletes' pictures for advertisement of his/her business or service. The issue will be forward back to the Division I Legislative Review and Interpretations Committee for reconsideration.
 14. **NCAA Proposal No. 2005-172-Recruiting – Admissions and Graduation Data – Disclosure Report. (D'Antonio)**
Joseph D'Antonio, Big East, requested feedback as to whether other conferences were providing a cover letter to the NCAA Admissions and Graduation Data Disclosure report and whether the NCAA would be creating a cover letter explaining the disclosure report. The group commented that institutions are only providing the prospect with the information that was provided by the NCAA. At this time the NCAA has not created such cover letter.
 15. **Student-Athlete Opportunity Fund (SAOF) – Travel Up-grades and Enhancements of Student-Athlete Per-diem.**
The topic of the use of the SAOF for travel up-grades was discussed by the group. It was noted that during the January Management Council meeting the topic was discussed and it was determined that such use of the funds was impermissible. Greg Sankey, SEC, will update the group on any information from the conference commissioners on this topic.
 16. **NCAA Bylaw 11.3.2.6 (Quotations and Pictures Used to Promote a Camp).**
Joseph D' Antonio, Big East, deferred this agenda item until the next CCACA conference call.

17. NCAA Contacts.

Barbara Church, Metro Atlantic, requested feedback from the group regarding the response time from conference contacts at the NCAA and whether others were experiencing inconsistent interpretations when calling in on the '6003' number. The group agreed that there appears to be a lack of service, timeliness, and consistency with the interpretations received from the membership services staff.

18. Future Conference Calls.

March 1, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. (MT).

19. Adjournment.