

CCA Compliance Administrators  
Teleconference  
June 6, 2001

Those participating: Jill Deese, Atlantic Coast; Jerome Rogers, Big East; Jennifer Heppel, Carol Iwaoka, Big Ten; Lori Ebihara, Big Twelve; Stephanie Jarvis, Horizon; Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, Ivy; Dell Robinson, Tracy Scott, Mid-American; Ed Grom, Mid-Continent; Amy Huchthausen, Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley; Gil Grimes, Southern; Donita Brooks, Sun Belt; Sherri Booker, Steve Sturek, Trans America.

1. Approval of Minutes. Approved the minutes of the May 9, 2001 meeting.
2. NCAA Student-Athlete Opportunity Fund. It was reported to the group that the Division I Commissioners will discuss and determine the parameters related to the use of the opportunity fund. Carol Iwaoka volunteered to create a document that would outline possible options relating to the use of the fund, including some of the options that the Big Ten has discussed.
3. Interpretative Issues.
  - a. AAU and College Coaches – hotel parties. It was brought to the attention of the CCACA that many AAU coaches host parties at team hotels and invite college coaches to the parties in order to socialize. Concern was expressed that these parties could be occurring during a quiet period. The group agreed that if college coaches are attending these parties outside of a contact or evaluation period, then specific prospects should not be discussed.
  - b. Verbal Commitments in Conjunction with Institutional Camps/Clinics. The CCACA discussed an April 5, 1989 staff interpretation, which prohibits institutional staff members from giving recruiting presentations in conjunction with institutional camps and clinics. Specifically, the group debated whether verbal commitments at institutional camps or clinics would be contrary to this interpretation. The group focused on the meaning of the “recruiting presentation” language in the interpretation and whether this prohibition applied just to camp group presentations, or if the language would apply similarly to a presentation made to an individual. The CCACA concurred that the prohibition against recruiting presentations should include both group and individual presentations at institutional camps. As a result, the CCACA concluded that verbal commitments at camps/clinics were not permissible if they resulted from recruiting presentations made by a coach at the camp.

- c. Unofficial Visits Subsequent to On-Campus Events. Lori Ebihara informed the CCACA of a preliminary interpretation of Bylaw 13.7.2.2 that the Legislative Review/Interpretations Subcommittee discussed on its May 16, 2001 conference call. Specifically, the interpretation related to a member institution's coaching staff member who wishes to contact a prospect outside the contact period subsequent to an athletics contest on the institution's campus in which the prospect participated. LRIS ruled that such a contact by a coaching staff member in the sports of football and basketball, including on an unofficial visit, could not be made unless it were to take place the day after the prospect's final competition. Lori also informed the group that the NCAA staff has stated that the same "next day" rule would apply to a prospect who wishes to take an unofficial visit subsequent to an institutional or noninstitutional camp occurring at an on campus site. The consensus of the CCACA group was that this "next day" interpretation only created a hardship for the prospective student-athlete(s) involved, since prospects would have to incur the expense to stay on campus an extra day. It was agreed that the concerns of the group would be forwarded to the NCAA staff and LRIS.
4. NCAA response to the CCACA's March 13 letter. In response to Kevin Lennon's letter to the CCACA, the group agreed to forward two suggestions to the NCAA staff:
  - a. The CCACA agreed that it would be helpful if the CCACA were included in the conference contact program. The conference contact would serve as the staff liaison for the CCACA Co-Chairs, and be available to participate on our conference calls when requested. As it currently stands, the Co-Chairs forward specific CCACA issues to any number of staff members, depending on the topic at hand, and it may be helpful for both the Co-Chairs and the staff to have one specific staff member designated as the contact. This should provide a more streamlined communication process.
  - b. The CCACA was also very supportive of the idea of a conference-contact backup program as suggested in the letter. As noted by Kevin Lennon, appointing NCAA staff backups would better ensure that an individual is available at all times to provide assistance to conference offices.
5. Next meeting. The next conference call was scheduled for July 11, 2001 at 11 a.m. central.

