



MINUTES
CCACA CONFERENCE CALL
Tuesday, June 13, 2006 ~ 10:00 a.m. (MT)

Participants: Katie Willett, America East, Eric Wood, Atlantic Coast; Steve Sturek, Atlantic Sun; Jackie Campbell and Nicole Undercuffler, Atlantic 10; Jason DeAngelis and Jennifer Condaras, Big East; Jaynee Nadolski, Big Sky; Carol Iwaoka and Chad Hawley, Big Ten; Melissa Odenwelder, Colonial; Charolette Hunt, Conference USA; Stephanie Jarvis and Amy Wisser, Horizon; Angie Torain, Mid-Continent; Mary Mulvenna, Missouri Valley; Lisa Danner and Carolayne Henry, Mountain West; Rachelle Held, Northeast; Corey Lima and Jennifer Huggins, Southwestern Athletic Conference; Jennifer Henderson, Sun Belt

1. Approval of May 3, 2006 Conference Call Minutes.

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

2. NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee - Requested Feedback.

Carol Iwaoka, Big Ten, requested feedback from the group regarding extensions of the five-year clock and medical hardship waivers on behalf of the NCAA Division I Student-Athlete Reinstatement Committee. Iwaoka asked how conferences would feel about being responsible for granting extensions of the five-year clock. Concerns were expressed regarding an increased work load, man power, and time. Several conferences indicated that if they had previously approved two medical hardship waivers, they would not be opposed to approving an extension of the five-year clock. Iwaoka also requested feedback regarding a change in the legislation related to the limit on the amount of competition necessary to qualify for a medical hardship waiver. Iwaoka noted that the NCAA staff is unable to provide a rationale for the current limit of 20 percent. Iwaoka noted that the committee has been discussing the current formula and the appropriateness in defining "meaningful" participation opportunity, and ways to simplify without compromising intent. Iwaoka requested feedback from the group on the merits of the current legislation and redefining meaningful participation [e.g., eliminate the numbers/percentages, but keep competition after the first half of the season or determine for each sport a cumulative number (X number of competitions/contests over X number of years) that would then be grounds to regain a season due to medical reasons]. Several in the group noted that the formula related to a cumulative approach in defining meaningful participation could possibly be used when determining whether an extension of the five-year clock should be granted. Due to the limited number of participants on the call, Iwaoka indicated that she will request feedback on these issues through the CCACA list serve.

3. Sports Tours International - Men's Basketball.

Mary Mulvenna, Missouri Valley, requested feedback from the group regarding fundraising for events sponsored by Sports Tours International (STI). Specifically, is it permissible for STI to provide basketball student-athletes with letters explaining their participation in a STI event for fundraising purposes?

The group noted that this situation would be impermissible under amateurism legislation, inasmuch as the money would be earmarked for a particular student-athlete.

4. Use of United States Postal Service Postcards.

Jennifer Condaras, Big East, requested feedback regarding whether postcards that are issued by the U.S. postal service and include pictures on one side and are blank on the other side are permissible under NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1.1 - (a) (general correspondence). Jackie Campbell, Atlantic 10, noted that the intent of the bylaw was that the post cards be blank and issued by the U.S. postal service. Campbell also noted that the legislation related to post cards was written prior to post offices offering post cards with pictures, which further confirms the intent of blank post cards.

5. Overrides.

Charolette Hunt, Conference USA, requested feedback regarding how many conferences have institutions that are supporting the override of NCAA Proposal No. 2005-54. The Big 10 and Mid-Continent noted that their institutions are supporting the override request. Carol Iwaoka, Big Ten, noted that student-athletes affected by Proposal No. 2005-54 are few and their situations should continue to be reviewed on a case-by-case basis through the waiver process. Hunt also requested feedback regarding override positions on Proposal No. 2005-77-B. Stephanie Jarvis, Horizon League, shared with the group that there will be an NCAA Hot Topic released soon which will clarify that this proposal limits recruiting coordination activities to countable coaches, which may include part-time and non-paid coaches at some institutions.

6. Future Conference Calls.

There will be no conference call in July. The new CCACA chairs will notify the group of the date and time of the next conference call.

7. Adjournment. The call adjourned at 10:31 a.m. (MT)