



MINUTES
CCACA CONFERENCE CALL
Wednesday, November 2, 2005 ~ 10:00 a.m. (MT)

Participants: Amy Huchthausen, America East; Steve Sturek, Atlantic Sun; Jamie Braunwarth and Jackie Campbell, Atlantic 10; Joseph D'Antonio, Big East; Ron Loghry, Big Sky; Chad Hawley, Carol Iwaoka and Greg Walter, Big Ten; Lori Ebihara and Mary Ellen Enigk, Big 12; Charolette Hunt and Judy MacLeod, Conference USA; Stephanie Jarvis and Amy Wisser, Horizon League; Brian Barrio and Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, Ivy League; Barbara Church and Emily Haynam, Metro Atlantic Athletic; Dell Robinson and Brad Wachler, Mid-American; Nick Castro and Angie Torain, Mid-Continent; Sonja Stills, Mid-Eastern Athletic; Mary Mulvenna and Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley; Lisa Danner and Carolayne Henry, Mountain West; Rachelle Held, Northeast; Mike Matthews, Pac-10; Joanna Kreps and Kaitlyn Cerco, Patriot League; Edger Gantt and Gil Grimes, Southeastern; LaRon Black, Southland; Corey Lima, Jennifer Huggins and William Bright Jr., Southwestern Athletic; Jennifer Henderson, Sun Belt; Anthony Archbald, Western Athletic; Gloria Nevarez and Whitney Peterson, West Coast.

1. Approval of Minutes from the October 5, 2005 CCACA Minutes.

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

2. Interpretive Matters Relative to Proposed Legislation.

Jackie Campbell, Atlantic 10, requested any interpretive questions related to proposed legislation be forwarded to her prior to the end of November. Campbell will compile all questions and send them to the NCAA staff for review by the Legislation Review and Interpretations Committee (LRIC). The LRIC meets the second week in December. Campbell also will post all questions on the CCACA list-serve.

3. WFH Talentlink.

Joseph D' Antonio, Big East, sought feedback from the group regarding the Women's Field Hockey Talentlink program. It was indicated that in order for the Talentlink program to be permissible under current legislation, USA Field Hockey and the NCAA will need to work out details. D'Antonio inquired if any steps had been taken to address this situation. The sense of the group was that no feedback had been given. D'Antonio noted that currently, per NCAA staff, field hockey coaches cannot be involved with the WFH Talentlink program and furthermore field hockey coaches should abstain from with being active in USA Field Hockey until the NCAA and USA Field Hockey resolve issues surrounding the Talentlink. It was noted that it may not be feasible for field hockey coaches to disengage from their governing body.

4. Override Vote on Proposal 2004-21.

Joseph D' Antonio, Big East, sought feedback from the group regarding NCAA Proposal No. 2004-21 and how each conference would cast the votes for each part of the proposal at the NCAA convention. The group commented that each conference would determine how it would handle the vote. The group was reminded that it was first necessary to register for the Convention prior to being permitted to register as a voting delegate.

5. Attachments to General Correspondence.

Mary Ellen Enigk, Big 12, followed up with Jackie Campbell's information from last month's conference call regarding attachments to general correspondence. After speaking to the NCAA staff it was concluded that attachments such as a one page newsletter, comic strips, mock magazine covers are impermissible since those items are considered additional recruiting publications. There was still some misunderstanding on how additional publications are classified. Enigk will follow-up with LRIC on this issue.

6. Additional Items – Occasional practice by alumni.

Mary Mulvenna, MVC, sought feedback on how "occasional practice" would be defined as it related to alumni practicing with an intercollegiate athletics team. Her understanding was two times a week would be considered more than occasional. The group concluded that there is not a definitive answer and that interpretations on occasional practice should be rendered on a case by case basis.

7. Additional Items – Student-Athlete Opportunity Fund (SAOF).

Mike Matthews, Pac-10, sought feedback from the CCACA regarding whether to send to the commissioners the issue of using the SAOF to supplement student-athletes' meal per diem. The group determined that unless the inconsistency becomes a major concern to the membership, the issues should not be forwarded to the commissioners. They would like to deal with use of SAOF regarding supplementary per diem and meal excesses on the conference level.

8. Additional Items – Women's Basketball Open Gyms.

Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, Ivy League, requested clarification on the guidelines for open gyms in women's basketball. Specifically, is it permissible for women's basketball coaches to attend open gyms when prospects from other schools were participating? The consensus from the group was that the open gym guidelines for women's basketball coaches were the same as in the previous academic year. It is permissible for women's basketball coaches to attend an open gym when prospects from surrounding schools participate. Open gym is defined as open to the public and not including any organized activities (e.g., drills, specific team competitions). Scheduling times and publicizing the open gym is permissible; however, when a third party organizes the open gym, it no longer is considered open and becomes impermissible for coaches to attend. Campbell-McGovern will follow up with the NCAA staff to get additional clarification.

9. Additional Items – Bylaw 14.1.10.2

Chad Hawley, Big Ten, requested feedback from the group as to whether anyone had received interpretive questions regarding the eligibility for postseason competition between terms for student-athletes in their final season of competition. He asked that interpretive questions be forwarded to him and he will compile a list of questions for the NCAA staff to address. Hawley also suggested that this issue be addressed as a hot topic by the NCAA. Hawley will follow up and send any responses to the group.

10. Additional Items – Women’s Basketball Recruiting Days on Easter

Charolette Hunt, Conference USA, asked if any other conferences were experiencing complaints from women’s basketball coaches regarding recruiting days on Easter. Some individuals indicated that the complaints had come from an event organizer. The WBCA indicated that there will be no change to the calendar this academic year. Confirmation from Lynn Holzman, NCAA director of membership services, was that neither the WBCA nor the Division I Women’s Basketball Issues Committee had a desire to make adjustments or changes to the calendar for this year.

11. Additional Items – Secondary Reporting Procedures

Carolayne Henry, MWC, reviewed the memo distributed to the membership from Chris Strobel, which outlined the new Level II secondary violations reporting procedures. The memo outlined the problems associated with institutions and conferences reporting Level II violations. Strobel requested feed back from the CCACA regarding the new procedures. The feedback was as follows:

- a. Reminders regarding reporting of Level II violations should be sent to the membership.
- b. More structure and direction on how the NCAA would like the violations reported.
- c. Require quarterly reporting as done in the past.
- d. January 2006 may be too early to implement the online reporting feature.
- e. The group agreed that it would be beneficial for Strobel and an IT person to present information regarding the new online reporting procedures at the February in-person meeting of the NCAA/CCACA.

12. Additional Items - 13.4.1.2 – Technology

Joseph D’ Antonio, Big East, sought feedback regarding sending pictures to prospects via a cell phone. NCAA Bylaw 13.4.1.2 states color attachments may be included with electronic mail correspondence sent to a prospect, provided the attachment does not include any animation, audio, or video clips and there is not cost associated with sending the item attached. The group agreed that Bylaw 13.4.1.2 would apply to cell phones.

13. Adjournment.

The conference call was adjourned at 10:45 A.M. (MT).

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