



MINUTES
CCACA CONFERENCE CALL
Wednesday, November 4, 2009 ~ 12:00p.m. ET

Participants:

Shane Lyons, Lindsey Babcock, Eric Wood, ACC; Steve Sturek, Atlantic Sun; Joseph D'Antonio, Jennifer Condaras, Kenny Schank, Wanda Factor, BIG EAST; Ron Loghry, Big Sky; Kerry Kenny, Big Ten; Lori Ebihara, Big 12; Erica Montebaro, Big West; Kathleen Batterson, Marissa Biggins, Colonial; Callie Hubbell, Conference USA; Mike Sharpe, Great West; Stephanie Jarvis, Christine Halstead, Horizon; Barbara Church, Joe McCleese, MAAC; Jackie Mynarski, MAC; Sonja Stills, Shamaree Brown, MEAC; Patty Viverito, Mary Mulvenna, Missouri Valley; Gary Walenga, Mountain West; Joyce Bell, Northeast; Mike Matthews, Ron Barker, Pac-10; Greg Sankey, Gil Grimes, SEC; Doug King, Southern; Stephanie McDonald, Southland; Greg Walter, Brittany Livingston, Summit; Kathy Keene, Dominic Giabrone, Sun Belt; Sarah Wilhelmi, West Coast; Anthony Archibald, WAC.

1. INAAC.

D'Antonio provided the group with today's INAAC.

2. Review of Agenda

No additions or changes to the agenda.

3. Approval of the September 2, 2009 Meeting Minutes

Minutes were unanimously approved.

4. NLI Update

Susan Peal, NCAA, informed the group of new updates to the NLI program. Specifically, Peal discussed a few provisions dealing with:

- a. Null and Void status- If a PSA is denied admission, the NLI becomes null & void. If the PSA fails to complete the requirements for admission, the NLI becomes null & void as of September 1st. Peal indicated that the NLI program will be tracking the data to determine if this change was effective.

Greg Sankey, SEC, asked for a clarification for a situation where a PSA fails to achieve a test score during the fall term. Peal confirmed the NLI would be null and void as of the first day of classes. If the PSA achieves the appropriate test score to meet qualifier status after the first day of classes, the original NLI remains null and void.

- b. Recruiting rules violations- If a PSA signs an NLI and the institution later discovers that a violation had occurred prior to signing that needed reinstatement, the PSA may decide if the NLI should be declared null & void.

A question was raised regarding a deadline for making such a decision. Peal responded that a deadline to make such a decision will be implemented, and she will update the group when a date is set. Peal indicated it would be similar to the deadline to notify a PSA of a null & void status.

- c. Release agreements– All Division I and II Presidents, Athletic Directors and Commissioners received a memorandum addressing this issue.
- d. Technology– With the new NLI portal, an institution no longer needs to type information on the NLI. They can simply check off each PSA that is to receive one, and the information will be pulled from the database.

A question was raised as to whether an institution will be able to determine if a PSA has already signed an NLI. Peal responded that in institution will be able to see such information. Conference offices enter EC ID, etc., so that information will be added to the PSA's record. Once an institution sees that a PSA has signed an NLI, they should deactivate that individual.

Another question was raised dealing with conference policies. Peals indicated that conference policies do not come into play with regard to release agreements. If an institution releases a PSA, the release is valid for all institutions.

5. CCACA / NCAA Eligibility Center Subcommittee

D'Antonio updated the group on the subcommittee's first call that took place on October 8, 2009. D'Antonio indicated the call went well and that future calls should be more informational driven which will help resolve conflicts, issues, etc. D'Antonio re-emphasized the importance of the conference contact program and indicated these relationships can only make things better. D'Antonio informed the group that he would continue to update the full group as the subcommittee continues its work with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

6. Coaches Exam Review

Lindsey Babcock, ACC, informed the group that it was time to begin working on the NCAA coaches' recruiting exam. Although Babcock expressed some concerns with the NCAA willingness to make certain changes, she did indicate this relationship has been positive. Babcock informed D'Antonio that if the subcommittee was getting a lot of pushback from the NCAA, she would reach out to him for assistance as the CCACA chair. Babcock asked for volunteers to help with this year's exam. Megan McHugo, Ivy; Joyce Bell, Northeast; Greg Walter, Summit League; and Sarah Wilhelmi, West Coast volunteered to help.

7. Temporary Certification Period

Babcock informed the group that the ACC has had discussions with its member schools regarding the expansion of the temporary certification period for recruited students. Specifically, Babcock indicated her member schools would like to extend the 14 day period to 21 days. Babcock asked for feedback from the group. There were no objections to the concept.

8. Media Sponsored Facebook / Twitter Accounts and Friend Request Acceptances

Wilhelmi asked the group for feedback on communications through online social networks with sports information staff members and student workers. Wilhelmi referenced an October 9, 2009 educational column dealing with communication with coaches and asked if the same restrictions needed to be applied. Erica Monteaboro, Big West, responded that she has not applied the restrictions to those staff members.

9. 2009–10 Legislative Cycle

D'Antonio provided a brief overview from the Board of Directors meeting. D'Antonio indicated that 10 proposals categorized as emergency / non-controversial were adopted. One women's basketball proposal did not receive full support and will be sponsored by the Board and included in the current legislative cycle. D'Antonio informed the group that the Board took serious steps toward approval for the Basketball Focus Group's tier one and tier two items. These items are now included in an official interpretation. Tier 3 items have now been inserted into the cycle. D'Antonio reported that the proposal addressing who can and cannot work men's basketball camps will get a lot of attention. Jim Haney, NABC, voiced concerns and suggested it should be tabled.

D'Antonio reported that the Board also voted on the Basketball Academic Enhancement Group's (BAEG) proposals. The most prevalent proposal (with the academic component) will not be sent into the cycle. The proposal will be discussed in detail at the Convention along with the proposal allowing the provision of expenses to parents for official visits. The BAEG has four proposals that have been inserted into the 2009–10 legislative cycle.

D'Antonio also noted that the Pac-10 withdrew their proposals to eliminate foreign tours and the ability to house a team the night before a home contest.

Mike Matthews, Pac-10, asked if any of the men's basketball proposals would be acted on in January and encouraged everyone to take time to discuss and educate.

Sankey asked for clarification about the language associated with camps in tier one since it is a proposal in tier three. D'Antonio responded that the discussion did not rise to that level of detail.

- 10. CCACA 2010 In-Person Meeting**
D'Antonio reminded the group to submit their reservation forms for the in-person meeting no later than December 15, 2009. D'Antonio also requested for people to send him any suggested agenda items.
- 11. Next Conference Call**
D'Antonio, BIG EAST, reminded the group that the next conference call will take place on Wednesday, 12/02/09 at Noon EST.
- 11. CCACA Conference Call Trivia**
D'Antonio reviewed the rules and regulations of "conference call trivia" and asked the question of the day.
- 12. Adjournment.**