



MINUTES
CCACA CONFERENCE CALL
Wednesday, October 3, 2012 ~ 12:00p.m. ET

Participants:

Mary Mulvena, *America East*; Shamaree Brown, *Atlantic Coast*; Mike Hagen, *Atlantic Sun*; Ed Pasque, Jill Redmond, *Atlantic 10*; Joseph D'Antonio, Jennifer Condaras, Kenny Schank, Roberto Sasso, *BIG EAST*; Sherika Montgomery, *Big South*; Jen Heppel, Chad Hawley, *Big Ten*; Keri Boyce, David Flores, *Big 12*; Erica Montebaro, Melissa Swaffer, *Big West*; Kathleen Batterson, Vince Pierson, *Colonial*; Callie Hubbell, Frank Arredondo, *Conference USA*; Mike Sharpe, *Great West*; Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, Megan McHugo Morrison, Matt Singer, *Ivy League*; Jackie Mynarski, Elliott Charles, *MAC*; Quintin Wright, *Mid-Eastern*; Greg Walter, *Missouri Valley*; Marlon Edge, *Mountain West*; Noreen Morris, Kelly Webb, *Northeast*; Matt Banker, *Ohio Valley*; Mike Matthews, Erik Price, *Pac-12*; Ginger Fulton, Quinton Smith, *Patriot League*; Gil Grimes, *SEC*; Doug King, *Southern*; Stephanie McDonald, Henry Archuleta, *Southland*; Matt Boyer, *Summit League*; Edgar Gantt, Kentrell Kearney, *SWAC*; Scott Connors, *Sun Belt*; Lynn Holzman, Sarah Wilhelmi, *West Coast*; Matt Burgemeister, Kristin Preble, *WAC*

1. INAAC

2. Review of Agenda

3. Approval of the September 5, 2012 Conference Call Minutes

The minutes of the September 2012 call were unanimously approved.

4. 2013 CCACA In-Person Meeting

D'Antonio reminded group members to submit reservation forms as soon as possible, and not later than December 14. Additional details were included in the conference call materials.

5. NCAA Rules Working Group

D'Antonio noted that the Rules Working Group published a revised set of proposals, which included the withdrawal of Proposals 11-1, 11-3-A, 12-7 and 13-5-A, and the modification of proposals 12-2 and 13-2. It was noted that the concepts behind Proposals 11-1 and 12-7 have not been removed from consideration by the working group, but needed further refinement prior to review by the Board of Directors. The revised proposals will be provided to the Board of Directors for its October 30 meeting, at which time the Board is expected to sponsor the proposals and they will be available on LSDBi. The group engaged in a lengthy discussion regarding several aspects of the Working Group:

- The Working Group next meets in December, which will be the final opportunity to revise proposals before the Board of Directors' anticipated action in January; therefore, all feedback should be provided before the December meeting.
- Legislative Council members should be prepared to discuss preliminary positions on the proposals at the October meeting.
- Feedback on the proposals should be communicated directly to members of the Rules Working Group or the NCAA staff. It is not anticipated that there will be an opportunity for conferences to sponsor amendments or alternate proposals.

- Earlier discussion of proposals and identification of any that are not supported by the membership should help to avoid a situation where several proposals receive a significant number of override requests.
- The commitment to fair competition was revised for clarity, but was unchanged substantively.
- Proposals 13-2 (initial date for recruiting communication and contact) and 13-3 (modes and numerical limitations on communication) are sponsored separately to provide flexibility for the membership to support one but not the other. Adoption of both proposals would result in earlier dates and less regulated communication.

6. NCAA Enforcement Working Group

D'Antonio reminded the group that the Board of Directors is expected to approve the Enforcement Working Group recommendations during the Board's meeting on October 30. However, the concepts regarding shared responsibility (e.g., how institutions and conferences are expected to respond to information regarding potential violations) will not be voted on and will be further developed before being forwarded to the Board of Directors.

7. Compliance Certification Program

Mulvena asked about the compliance certification program recently announced by NAAC and how other conferences would be presenting the program to its members. D'Antonio reminded the group that he is the CCACA representative to NAAC and can take any comments or questions to its Board of Directors. He also noted that the program has support from the NCAA national office and may be considered a mitigating factor in violations, but will not provide institutions or compliance administrators with a "safe harbor." Matthews noted that he is on NAAC's Education Committee, which developed the program, and that there is not currently a plan specific to conference compliance personnel.

8. Application of Bylaw 13.1.6.1 to Two-Year College Prospects

Monteabaro notified the group of an interpretation that she received from the NCAA regarding the application of Bylaw 13.1.6.1 (prospective student-athlete's educational institution) to two-year college prospects. Specifically, in men's basketball, an institution must determine what the two-year college considers to be its regular academic day and not have contact with prospects during that time; further, if the college does not specify a regular academic day, then an institution may not have contact with prospects during any time when classes are in session. Monteabaro noted that she is considering a SLR waiver to permit contact after a certain time provided the prospect is not in class; conferences desiring to support the waiver can email her directly. Hagen reported that he had clarified that this restriction is only applicable to contact on the two-year college's campus and does not apply to off-campus contacts.

9. Definition of Scholastic Team - September 20, 2012 Official Interpretation

Matthews started a discussion regarding the intent of the September 20, 2012, official interpretation on the definition of a scholastic team. Specifically, the group discussed what factors were necessary for a team to be "under the auspices of a scholastic governing body" (e.g., pay dues, eligible for championships, obey regulations and

certify eligibility). Members of the group noted that the interpretation was generally intended to address teams involving prospects who attend home schools and other independent schools. However, there was not consensus regarding how broadly to apply the interpretation.

10. NCAA Review Groups

D'Antonio referred to an earlier email soliciting nominations to serve as a CCACA representative on review groups addressing the recruiting certification test and official visit policies and procedures. Name of nominees will be circulated by email and an electronic vote will be taken following the call.

[Note: Following the conference call, Jennifer Condaras was elected to serve on the recruiting certification test review group and Matt Burgemeister was elected to serve on the official visit policies and procedures review group.]

11. Associates Degree Programs

Hagen noted that an institution in his conference is modifying its admission standards such that an applicant who meets certain criteria is placed directly into a Bachelors degree program. An applicant not meeting the criteria is placed in an Associates degree program and can change to a Bachelors degree after the first year of enrollment. Any group members that have experience with a similar situation or have any comments are encouraged to contact Hagen directly.

12. Next Conference Call

The next conference call is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31, 2012.

13. Adjournment



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4. NCAA Enforcement Working Group - Cooperative Principle Concepts

Tom Hosty, Laura Wurtz McNab and Molly Richmond of the NCAA Enforcement staff and Dan Beebe joined the conference call to discuss the working group's recommendations regarding the cooperative principle. The concepts are designed to create a national standard for how reasonably reliable information should be handled, which is intended to reduce the inconsistencies in how conferences currently handle such information, and thereby protect the interest of all member institutions. Specifically, the recommendations establish obligations for institutions, conferences, involved individuals and the Enforcement staff. The group discussed several elements of the expectations for conference offices and institutions, including the expectation to designate a contact outside the athletics department and the impact of state or institutional whistleblower policies. The working group will accept feedback from the membership and governance structure at the NCAA Convention and throughout the winter, with the expectation of the Board of Directors taking action at its April 2013 meeting.

5. NLI Update

Susan Peal of the NLI Office provided several updates and announcements regarding the upcoming NLI signing periods. Specifically, she noted changes to generating the NLI in the member institution portal, the NLI database will roll-over to the new academic year on November 1, the impact of multi-year athletics aid agreements, the upcoming NLI webinars, and the development of an on-line NLI release process. Peal noted that reminders will be emailed to all conferences for distribution to their member institutions prior to signing period.

6. **2013 CCACA In-Person Meeting**
D'Antonio reminded group members to submit reservation forms to Kenny Schank as soon as possible, and not later than December 14. Additional details were included in the conference call materials.
7. **NCAA Rules Working Group**
Selected proposals from the Rules Working Group were discussed. It was noted that several of the proposals affecting Bylaw 16 would identify conferences as a permissive source of various expenses. No conference reported that it had talked about providing such expenses. The working group will meet in December to review feedback from conferences and the Leadership and Legislative Councils.
8. **NCAA Enforcement Working Group**
The group briefly discussed the implementation timeline for the new enforcement model and the head coach responsibilities document recently circulated by the NCAA.
9. **Compliance Certification Program**
The NAAC certification program was discussed, noting that NAAC has received feedback regarding the cost of the program and that title and nature of the program (e.g., certification or professional education/program of study). NAAC President Christian Spears has offered to speak to each conference to discuss the program and will contact conference compliance administrators to schedule such conversations.
10. **NCAA Governance Reports**
D'Antonio noted that the Board of Directors adopted a proposal to change the counting of evaluations when a contact occurs on the same day (Proposal No. 2012-17), and that the Legislative Council issued an interpretation to permit athletics department staff members without sport-specific responsibilities to have contact with prospects when providing education about NCAA rules. In addition, the Board of Directors indicated that all proposals in the 2013-14 legislative cycle should be related to the presidential reform agenda.
11. **Adjournment**