



MINUTES
CCACA CONFERENCE CALL
September 21, 2016

Participants:

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1. Review of Agenda

2. June 2016 Conference Call Minutes

The minutes of the June 22 conference call were unanimously approved.

3. NLI Update (Peal)

Peal gave an update of the electronic signatures vs. digital signatures and what is and is not considered a valid signature. Those that are actual signatures or exact replicas are valid, while those that are not exact and chosen signature formats are not considered valid.

Conversation was had that indicated that the CCACA is comfortable with allowing digital signatures that can be verified by an authorization code should be considered valid.

The November call will include a video tutorial of the new NLI upload process.

4. NCAA Council Meeting Preview (Fraser)

Fraser updated the group on key items for the upcoming Council and committees meetings. Some highlights include:

- Enforcement & Infractions Review Group has legislative action items for the April vote.
- Nominating Committee will look at updating their policies.
- Student-Athlete Experience Committee will continue and suggest time demands proposal concepts, as well as consider the SAF permissible use recommendations from CCACA.
- Legislative Committee will hear the two-year governance review update.
- Football Oversight Committee will consider endorsement of the inter-association guidelines for early 2017 implementation.

5. Values Based Revenue Distribution Working Group (Dickman)

Dickman gave an update on the working group's final report. This will be part of the Board's October meeting and is expected to take action on the published recommendations.

In response to the survey results, the financing of the academic unit has been changed. It will no longer be 100% of the television increase, but rather 75%.

6. AMA Update (Richardson)

Richardson updated the CCACA on the national office visit with conference personnel. Contact Richardson if interested in any continued educational programming.

There are two positions that need to be filled within AMA, one focused on legislation and one focused on interpretations.

7. CARA After Competition (Hagen)

Hagen gave a report on the new trend of utilizing the FitFor90 program. This is a scientifically-based program that is meant to help prevent injury. It may suggest CARA workouts following competition and/or to be held on a day off. It was suggested that in tandem with the time demands conversation, CCACA should consider consulting with NCAA SSI regarding the health and safety of student-athletes and prevention of injury.

8. SAF Update

Burgemeister updated the group that the CCACA concepts have been brought to the Student-Athlete Experience Committee in October as noncontroversial legislation to be adopted by the Council if supported. In terms of updating the SAF Guidelines, the NCAA finance staff will have to work with the Board of Governors to get approval for the requested policy revision.

Discussion was had on the use of SAF to be given to transfers over the summer in order to meet eligibility requirements; it was agreed upon by the group that this was not an appropriate use of SAF.

There is a sentence in the letter that accompanies SAF checks that says SAF may not be used to provide summer aid during the summer prior to initial enrollment, this is a holdover from when summer enrollment did not trigger student-athlete status. Now that summer enrollees are student-athletes, they can receive SAF for summer aid. Prospects are still not permitted to receive SAF during the summer prior to enrollment, but once student-athlete status is triggered SAF may be used for that individual. The NCAA finance staff will be asked to update the letter to match the legislation.

There was a question raised of whether or not SAF can be utilized to permit student-athletes travel for off-campus practice. It cannot be utilized for academic redshirt student-athletes as that is legislatively stated. But for transfers in the year in residence and non-qualifiers that receive a partial waiver it is not specific of whether or not SAF can be used to travel the student-athlete to an off-campus practice. Mendoza will follow-up with the AMA staff to request further clarification.

A question was posed whether or not SAF can be used to provide medical expenses for incoming student-athletes. It was agreed that SAF could be used for incoming student-athletes that have triggered student-athlete status by starting summer school and/or participating in summer access/preseason.

9. 2017 CCACA In-Person Meeting

Reminder that the in-person meeting will be in Chicago, IL, and the host hotel is Aloft. Checks should be made out to the ACC.

10. Prospect Access to Sidelines

Dahly presented a question to the group regarding whether or not prospects that are children of donors or to be donors would be able to receive access to the sidelines during a game.

NOTE: Following the call Dahly received follow-up from the NCAA, If the institution is treating a donor or potential donor based on their giving or potential giving level, and the institutional policies and procedures are followed, it would be permissible for the donor to bring a prospect with them as long as there is no recruiting nexus (e.g. no recruiting conversations or recruitment of prospect). There will likely be an education column to be published on this topic.

11. Adjournment