

MINUTES
PSAC ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATORS' FALL MEETING
Atherton Hotel, State College, PA
October 7, 2009

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by chairperson, Frances Nee. Those present included: Steve Murray, Will Adair, Carlin Chesick, Erica Eisenbise, Matt Beltz (PSAC); Danielle Barney, Peter Campbell (LHU); Paul Lueken, Amy Badorf (SRU); Carey Snyder, Tom Gioglio (ESU); Ed Matejkovic, Kelli Milliner (WCU); Greg Bamberger, Michelle Gober (Kutz); Tom Pucci, Karen Hjerpe (Cal); Wendy Snodgrass, Dave Katis (Clarion); Bruce Baumgartner, Todd Jay (Edin); Carrie Michaels, Jeff Michaels (Ship); Steve Roach, Anthony Grant, Peg Kauffman (Mill); Roger Maisner (Mans); Lydia Harsley, China Jude, Constancia Simpson Hayes (Chey); Kathy Heitzman, Mary Gardner (Bloom); Frank Condino, Frances Nee (IUP); Mark Richard (Gannon); Joe Kimball (Mercyhurst)
- II. Requests for Reordering Agenda
One item was reordered: VIII-1 was moved to VI-2
- III. Announcements
- Commissioner Murray explained that the Executive Committee had discussed the replacement process for former Chair Roberta Page who left her position at Shippensburg. Vice Chair, Fran Nee has moved to the Chair position for the current year with the Vice Chair position remaining vacant the remainder of the year. A new slate of candidates for the Executive Committee will be selected in April and changes made to the operating code for replacement of Executive Committee personnel will be considered.
 - The Conference will try to sponsor a league-wide Diversity Training seminar during the spring semester, working with the NCAA on a schedule and programming.
 - A document detailing the league's sub-grants from the NCAA Division II Strategic Initiative Grant program was distributed.
 - The following medical hardships were approved by the Executive Committee: Tressler (BU); Wason (BU); McMonagle (Mill); Schmoltze (Mill); Sheffey (Mill); Kirkland (Ship); Lauber (Ship); Shanabrook (Ship); Pugliese (SRU); Chevalier (Mans)
- IV. Approval of Fall Minutes
MOTION (Pucci): To approve the Minutes from the April 2009 Athletics Administrators Meeting.
SECOND (Lueken)
MOTION PASSED
- V. Reports
- A. Sports Information/Awards – Adair
1. PSAC Service Awards
Announced that Josh Lieboff, former SID at Kutztown would be presented an Administrative Service plaque for 10 years of service to the PSAC.

MOTION (Pucci) To present former IUP Head Track/Field Coach Ed Fry with a Coaches Service Award for 43 years of coaching at the institution
SECOND (Hjerpe)
MOTION PASSED
 2. Award of Merit Committee – Jay
Updated the group on last year's Award of Merit selections and plans to have detailed nomination and selection process recommendations at the April 2010 meeting.

B. Officiating Committee – Jay

1. Proposed fees

The Officiating Committee presented the following fee structures and agreements reached through negotiations this summer with the various officiating groups;

Sport	2009-10 Current Year	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14
Baseball		DH: \$240	DH: \$250	DH: \$260	
Football		\$180	\$180	\$190	\$190
Volleyball		Single: \$130 Add: \$90	Single: \$130 Add: \$100	Single: \$140 Add: \$110	
Field Hockey		\$160 + 0.40 mile	\$165 + 0.40 mile	\$165 + 0.40 mile	
Lacrosse		\$176 + 0.40 mile	\$180 + 0.40 mile		
Softball	DH: \$200	DH: \$200	DH: \$210	DH: \$220	

MOTION (Maisner): To accept the agreed upon fee structures for officiating in the following sports, Baseball, Football, Volleyball, Field Hockey, Lacrosse and Softball.

SECOND (Condino)

MOTION PASSED

Updated the group on an end-of-season evaluation process that the Officiating Committee will once again employ to review each officiating service.

C. NCAA Division II Management Council – Nee

The Division II Management Council will be meeting later in the month. Updated the group regarding discussions this past summer on Bylaw 17 Review and proposed legislation.

D. NCAA Division II Legislation Committee - Nee

Discussed the three “conference” (by other conferences) sponsored pieces of legislation forwarded for consideration at the 2010 Convention.

E. Division II Athletics Directors Association – Matejkovic

Updated the group on efforts to increase Membership in D2ADA. The continued development of the D2ADA Strategic Plan, pending development of a Division II-wide salary survey, creation on liaisons from D2ADA to other groups and D2ADA concerns over a proliferation of survey requests from the NCAA without coordination from the national office.

F. PSAC Advisory Council – Murray

Reminded the group that Tom Gioglio and Frank Condino were the AA representatives on the Advisory Council and as a result also members of the Drafting Committee for the new PSAC Strategic Plan.

G. Division II Membership Committee – Maisner

A handout was distributed regarding institutions moving to Division II and how they “counted” in minimum scheduling requirements for competition throughout the membership process.

H. Committee for Legislative Relief – Heitzman

Updated the group regarding general cases that fall to CLR, particularly the Amateurism/Organized Competition waivers that have occurred and pending NCAA legislation.

I. Division II Nominating Committee – Jude

Informed the group that a survey was being developed regarding experience/satisfaction with committee membership service. Also, that Ms. Jude was recently selected to chair the DII Nominating Committee. That the league does an excellent job in seeking and filling positions on NCAA Committees.

VI. New Business – Conference Office Items

1. Bylaw 17 Review & Future Scheduling Concepts

The group participated in discussions regarding conference scheduling in the anticipated passage of NCAA legislation that would change dates of competition and starting dates for practice and competition in Division II.

A. Football:

The group reviewed a proposal from the conference office to alter the already approved 2010 football schedule with the intent on holding firm those dates in 2010 that institutions already have scheduled homecoming events.

MOTION (Pucci): To accept the recommended change in the 2010 and 2011 PSAC mandated football schedule keeping the originally scheduled competitions from September 25 to October 23, 2010 (9/26/11 to 10/24/11) the same and adjusting the order of the other contests, in the event the start date of competition is changed at the 2010 NCAA Convention.

SECOND (Bamberger)

MOTION PASSED

(Note: The conference developed this change to insure that the vast majority of homecoming dates already scheduled in the two cycle would remain as already planned)

B. Field Hockey:

MOTION (Lueken): To accept the proposed 2010 PSAC mandated field hockey schedule that includes an adjustment to the regular PSAC Championship date, to accommodate the NCAA Division II Fall Sports Festival

SECOND (Gardner)

MOTION PASSED

(Note: The field hockey schedule also moved to a full cross-over format between divisions, in addition to a double round-robin within the division. The Fall Festival adjustment moves the league championship 3 weeks later than usually played).

The group discussed the substantial changes in the field hockey schedule due to the Fall Festival and considered a motion to sponsor an “amendment to amendment” at the NCAA Convention to delay implementation of the cut in the maximum number of contests in field hockey for one year.

MOTION (Michaels): To sponsor an amendment to amendment at the NCAA

Convention to delay implementation to the cuts in maximum field hockey competitions

SECOND (Kauffman)

MOTION FAILED

C: Soccer

MOTION (Matejkovic): To accept the proposed 2010 PSAC mandated soccer schedule that includes no divisional play, a travel partner format, increased men’s and women’s doubleheader competition and variable Friday/Saturday mandated play

SECOND (Gioglio)

MOTION PASSED

(Note: In order to keep travel expenses at a minimum, a travel partner format was developed for two weekends per team that include Fri/Sat play. Administrators were informed that the league office would not approve adjustments to the Fri/Sat play format in order to insure fairness in scheduling across the board in the league.

MOTION (Pucci): That the conference develop a mandated schedule for the sport of basketball in 2010-11 that includes cross-over contests on January 3-4 and 8-9 with the remaining divisional schedule played on the remaining Wednesdays and Saturdays in January and February.

The Administrators asked the conference office to work with the Softball Coaches to develop a final schedule for the 2010 season for approval later this fall.

VII. Sport Committee Reports

1. Baseball – Roach

MOTION (Roach): That in the sport of baseball, the PSAC conduct its 2010 championship at Point Stadium in Johnstown, PA April 28-May 1.

SECOND (Michaels)

MOTION PASSED

2. Cross-Country/Track & Field – Barney

MOTION (Barney): In the sport of Outdoor Track and Field, to eliminate the PSAC Outdoor Challenge Meets effective for the 2010 season.

SECOND (Baumgartner)

MOTION PASSED

MOTION (Barney): The PSAC Cross Country Championships shall be hosted two weeks prior to NCAA regionals (four weeks prior to the NCAA National Championship) and shall allow for unlimited entries (effective Fall 2010)

LACK OF SECOND

MOTION (Jay): The PSAC Cross Country Championships shall be hosted two weeks prior to NCAA regionals (effective Fall 2010)

SECOND (Snyder)

MOTION PASSED

MOTION (Matejkovic): In the sport of cross country, to reduce the number of qualifiers for the PSAC Championships from each institution from 10 to 7 beginning in 2010.

LACK OF SECOND

3. Men's & Women's Tennis - Michaels

No Recommendations from the coaches, informational items shared

MOTION (Gardner): To eliminated the PSAC Singles/Doubles Championship from the league menu of championships, effective in the 2010-11 academic year

SECOND (Heitzman)

MOTION PASSED

Edinboro University announced that it will be adding Men's and Women's Tennis to its sports sponsorship menu in 2010-11.

4. Lacrosse – Campbell

MOTION (Campbell) That in the sport of women's lacrosse, the PSAC eliminate divisional play and move to a single round robin format beginning in 2011.

SECOND (Matejkovic)

MOTION PASSED

5. Softball – Decker

MOTION (Decker): In the sport of Softball, the PSAC Softball Championship (first and championship rounds) will be conducted in the following format:

Day 1:

Game 1: #3 seed vs #2 seed

Game 2: #1 seed vs Game 1 Loser

Game 3: #1 seed vs Game 1 Winner

Day 2:

- If all three teams remain after Day 1, Lots will be drawn to determine which teams play in Game 4 and which is byed to Game 5.
- If two teams remain after Day 1, the two teams will play 1 or 2 games to determine champion, depending on need of double-elimination format.

SECOND (Bamberger)

MOTION PASSED

MOTION (Pucci): In the sport of Softball, the following guidelines should be used to determine Divisional Ties (II-B-2):

1. Head-to-head results
2. Record versus conference divisional teams progressing downward until the tie is broken (higher ties broken first)
3. Road wins within division
4. Result vs common opponents outside the league
5. Number of wins against NCAA Division II opponents at or over .500
6. Winning percentage against NCAA Division II opponents under .500
7. Coin toss.

SECOND (Katis)

MOTION PASSED

MOTION (Pucci): In the sport of softball, change the reference of determining the seeding in the conference tournament in the event the mandated schedule can not be completed (II-B-3), change “winning percentage” in each criteria to “total number of wins” in each of the first four criteria.

SECOND (Bamberger)

MOTION PASSED

6. Volleyball – Hjerpe.

There was a brief discussion regarding the new scheduling format being used, but no actions taken.

7. Men’s & Women’s Basketball - Heitzman and Kaitis

NO REPORT

8. Football – Bamberger

a. Thursday play options – Lueken

There was a discussion about how schools schedule negotiate terms of agreement in moving league mandated contests from Saturday’s to Thursday’s

b. Football Cross-over Start Times –

There was a discussion regarding start times of cross-over games scheduled in the league and concerns for travel and return times.

9. Golf – Condino
2009 Championship upcoming at Hershey Links.

10. Soccer – Kauffman and Kemp
NO REPORT

11. Field Hockey – Gardner
NO REPORT

12. Athletic Trainers – Gioglio
NO REPORT

13. Swimming – Snodgrass
NO REPORT

14. Wrestling – Baumgartner
NO REPORT

15. Sports Information Directors – Jay
MOTION (Jay) : That minimum GPA for nomination to the PSAC Top Ten Award be elevated from a 3.25 cumulative GPA to 3.5 cumulative GPA
SECOND (Maisner)
MOTION PASSED

16. Compliance Coordinators – Nee
Reviewed the quarterly report of the Level II Secondary Violations forwarded to the NCAA.

VIII. Requested Agenda Items

1. Basketball Crossover Schedule – Lueken

There was a brief discussion regarding interest in moving to a full cross-over (8 games instead of 4) in the PSAC basketball schedule. There were no motions, however, the conference office was asked to develop a model schedule for the administrators to review at their April meeting that would include a full cross-over schedule.

2. Host/Visitor Amenities – Matejkovic

There was a discussion regarding institution's demands for amenities from host institutions as well as a reiteration of an understanding that host schools would provide visitors equitable amenities provided to the home team at all contests.

IX. Old Business

1. PSAC Strategic Plan Review

The Athletics Administrators reviewed Draft 2.0 of the PSAC Strategic Plan and offered feedback

2. Complimentary Passes for Opposing Teams

MOTION (Matejkovic): To require that institutions using the PSAC Complimentary Pass List that they must forward the list to the host institution by noon the day prior to competition

SECOND (Pucci)
MOTION FAILS

MOTION (Maisner): To eliminate the mandatory visitor complimentary pass list at all PSAC events

SECOND (Condino)
MOTION PASSES

- Kutztown administrators asked that the minutes reflect their objection to this motion.

3. NCAA Bylaw 17 Review

MOTION (Heitzman): That the PSAC sponsor an amendment to an amendment at the NCAA 2010 Convention to further reduce the maximum number of basketball contests from 27 to 25.

SECOND (Maisner)

MOTION FAILS

X Future Meetings

1. April AA Meeting: April 6-8, 2010 (Tues-Thurs)
2. May Board of Directors: May (TBD)

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm on Wednesday, October 7