



Minutes for the
Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference
Compliance Coordinators Conference Call

June 10, 2009
10 a.m.

Present: Kathy Heitzman (Bloom); Karen Hjerpe (Cal); China Jude (Chey); Carey Snyder (ESU); Todd Jay (Edin); Michelle Gober (KU); Efrain Cirilo (LHU); Kris Decker (Mans); Aaron Kemp (MC); Steve Roach (Mill); Jeff Michaels (Ship); Amy Badorf (SRU); Kelli Milliner (WCU); Carlin Chesick (PSAC).

1. Meeting called to order at 10 a.m. Roll call was taken. Carlin explained the format would be similar to Conference Commissioner's Association Compliance Administrators (CCACA) calls.
2. Kathy explained in Fran's absence that schools need to review official transcripts and those credits need to be posted before determining eligibility. Schools should not use unofficial transcripts to determine eligibility.
3. Jeff explained his issue with a potential 4-4-4 transfer who had the ability to use the non-sponsored sport exception at the original institution. The group agreed there would be no problem using this option when the original school was international. (International University to NAIA to NCAA DII) Specific Bylaws: 14.5.5.3.10 (a) & 14.5.5.3.6
4. Jeff described a recent situation where his institution was giving out special awards to athletes for community service and other non-athletic reasons during a mid-semester time frame. The award was not based on athletic ability but the recipient had to be an athlete to receive. Ship has changed the time period of the award because of the violation that would occur with increasing financial aid mid-year based on an athletic reason. No other schools offer such an award. Specific Bylaw: 15.3.4.2
5. Kelli brought up a recent interp discussed with the conference office about a 4-2-4-4 transfer that attended a 4-year institution, transferred to a Junior College, returned to the original 4-year institution and now wants to attend WCU this fall and play. The group agreed the interp below could be applied. The one-time transfer exception was acceptable because the SA had not transferred from one 4 year to another 4 year.

2-4-2-4-4 transfer and Bylaw 5-1-(m)-(13) waiver

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Interpretation: a. 2-4-2-4-4 Transfer and Bylaw 5-1-(m)-(13) Waiver: Reviewed a 2-4-2-4-4 transfer situation in which the junior colleges are the same institution and the first two four-year schools are the same institution; determined that a student-athlete in this transfer situation would be permitted to qualify for a waiver of the transfer residence requirement per Bylaw 5-1-(m)-(13), **inasmuch as the student-athlete had not previously transferred from one four-year college to another four-year college.**

6. Other Business:

Kris described a situation with a transfer student who graduated from a 2 year and then attended a Division I institution for 9 days before dropping out to return home because a family member was sick. Todd agreed to help her through the process of filing a progress toward degree waiver.

Jeff asked if any other institutions are doing any community engagement involving fundraising and professional teams and what is permissible. Todd expressed that current SA's with remaining eligibility cannot participate because of the organized competition rule. A legislative waiver may be filed with the NCAA. Specific Bylaw: 14.7

Aaron introduced the NFLPA/NCAA coaching internship program. Former NFL players come in to be an intern coach and are provided with room and board for an entire season. While this may fit into the coaching limitations set forth by the PSAC, issues with the coaches union may exist for the state institutions.

7. Next Call – Due to summer vacations and down time, no July call will be held. The next call will be on Wednesday, August 12 at 10 a.m. Meeting was adjourned at approx. 10:35 a.m.