



**PSAC  
ATHLETIC TRAINER'S MEETING**

**MINUTES – FEBRUARY 11, 2003  
LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY**

Meeting called to order at 11:00 am

**1). Introductions:** The following individuals were present: Michael Fahy, SRU; Jim Thornton, Clar; Marcie Fyook, Clar; Gary Hanna, Edin, Frank Trenney, IUP; Yvette Ingram, LHU; Rich Patterson, SRU; Barry McGlumphy, Cal; Bill Biddington, Cal; Michael Steinagel, Cal; Hank Fijalkowski, Mill; Joey Sue Hamilton, LHU; Tom West, LHU; Eric Lippincott, LHU; George Roberts, Edin; Teresa Zepka, Mill; Scott Heinerichs, WCU; Jack Entriken, Kutz; Rennie Sacco, Kutz; Wesley Mallicone, Ship; Brian Oakes, Mans; Laurie Zaparzynski, Mans; Allen Larsen, Bloom; Roxanne Copeland, Bloom; Colleen Shotwell, ESU; Keith Yanic, ESU; Steve Murray, PSAC.

**2). Football Preseason Practice Rules:** Steve Murray distributed a summary of the new rules pertaining to the conduct of preseason football practice. The group discusses concerns regarding the mandating of physicals for student-athletes. An interpretation was sent to the Certified Athletics Trainers regarding this issue.

**3). Medical Hardship Rules:** Steve Murray distributed a summary of the new rule pertaining to Medical Hardship Calculations, specifically the elimination of the “first half of the season” requirement.

**4). HIPAA Rules:** A brief discussion was held regarding the effects of new federal regulations pertaining to the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. While everyone was aware of the regulations it appears they may have little effect on how institutions conduct business with regards to the transmission of information regarding injuries.

**5). Website Information:** Rennie Sacco encouraged everyone to review ATC information on the PSAC website at [www.psacsports.org](http://www.psacsports.org) . Rennie is working with the conference office to update this information for use by all the Athletic Trainers.

**6). Medical Care for Visiting Teams:** George Roberts led a discussion regarding the ability of some institutions to fully cover (i.e. pregame taping and treatments) teams visiting without Certified Athletic Trainers. Everyone discussed the need for advance notice and communication of specific needs if sending teams that needed extensive pregame care.

**7). Student Supervision while Traveling:** Bill Biddington led a discussion regarding the supervision of students that were traveling with teams. Most of this discussion centered on those institutions with Athletic Training education programs.

**8). Other Business:**

A brief discussion was held regarding the impact of conference schedules on care and coverage by athletic trainers. The discussion focused on “cross-over” contests and Sunday play.

Meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm