MINUTES OF THE

NCAA DIVISION III ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE NO. 10

Those participating were James Bultman, Division III Presidents Council vice chair; James Harris, Division III Presidents Council chair; Chris Martin, DIII Management Council vice chair; Lynn Oberbillig, Division III Management Council chair; Lisa Marsh Ryerson, president, Wells College; Dan Dutcher, NCAA; Amy Huchthausen, NCAA; Leah Kareti, NCAA; and Debbie Kresge, NCAA, recording secretary.

[NOTE: The following action occurred via electronic mail November 1, 2010.]

Acting for the Division III Presidents Council and Management Council, the Administrative Committee took the following action:

- 2011 NCAA Convention Legislation. Reviewed and approved as written or as amended the following legislative drafts of 2011 NCAA Convention legislation sponsored by the NCAA Division III Presidents Council, consistent with the November 1 deadline.

  1. Playing and Practice Seasons – Athletically Related Activities – Certified Strength and Conditioning Personnel Monitoring and Conducting Workouts – Regular Academic Year. – To amend 2011 NCAA Convention Proposal No. 7 to permit certified strength and conditioning personnel to conduct voluntary workouts for all student-athletes only during the institution's regular academic year.

  2. Executive Regulations – Administration of NCAA Championships – Squad Limits. To approve the following resolution:

     Whereas, the NCAA Division III Championships Committee establishes the proper squad size for championship competition to ensure that the competition is conducted in a safe, fair and efficient manner; and

     Whereas, to ensure that the Division III championships are administered in this manner, institutions are prohibited from allowing student-athletes in excess of the established squad limits to participate in pre-game warm-ups or remain in the bench area in uniform during competition; and

     Whereas, 2011 Division III Convention Proposal Nos. 9 and 10, would allow an unlimited number of student-athletes to participate in pre-game warm-ups and remain in uniform in the bench area during competition; and

     Whereas, allowing an unlimited number of student-athletes to participate in pre-game warm-ups and remain in uniform in the bench area poses potential safety concerns, potentially creates an unfair competitive advantage, and provides numerous administrative issues for managers of the event; and

Whereas the Division III Championships Committee is the most informed administrative body to understand the scope of the issues concerning the management of Division III Championship events and develop workable squad limits;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the NCAA Division III Championships Committee will engage in a thorough and detailed examination of the established squad limits to determine if those limits accurately reflect the number of student-athletes appropriate for championship competition to provide a positive student-athlete experience; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the examination will be data-based taking into consideration logistical and administrative concerns, gender equity issues, average squad sizes and other data relevant to the study; and

Be It Further Resolved, that if this review yields results that certain squad sizes are not appropriate, then the Championships Committee will amend its policies to reflect the appropriate squad size; and

Be It Further Resolved, that the Championships Committee will complete this examination, including any necessary policy change, no later than July 1, 2011, so that the membership can determine if it is necessary to submit 2012 Convention legislation within the applicable timeframe.

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