MINUTES OF THE

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Teleconference May 13, 2010

Participants:
Stefanie Baker-Watson, North Central College
Chris Graham, Midwest Conference
Charles Harris, Averett University
Dale Knobel, Denison University
Shana Levine, Washington and Lee University, chair
Mark Majeski, Willamette University
Christopher Ragsdale, Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference
Charlyn Robert, Nichols College
Diana Schwartz, Westfield State College
Rubin Stevenson, Frostburg State University
Azure Davey, NCAA
Katie Willett, NCAA, recording secretary

[Note: These minutes contain only actions taken (formal votes or stated "sense of the meeting") in accordance with NCAA policy regarding minutes of all Association entities. While certain items on the committee's agenda were acted on at various times throughout the meeting, all final actions within a given topic are combined in these minutes for convenience of reference.]

The NCAA Division III Membership Committee teleconference was called to order at 1:01 p.m. Eastern time by the chair, Ms. Levine. All members were present as noted above.

1. Review April 8 Teleconference Minutes. The committee reviewed the minutes from the April 8 teleconference.

   It was VOTED

   "That the April 8 teleconference minutes be approved as written."

2. College of New Rochelle – Sports-Sponsorship Waiver. The committee reviewed a waiver request for sport-sponsorship requirements submitted by the College of New Rochelle. It was noted that the institution's mission is to be a women's college; however, there are 19 males currently enrolled at the institution although the institution does not anticipate that

the male/female ratio will change in the future. The institution was granted a three-year waiver in May 2008 which instructed the institution to re-apply at the end of the three-year period for future relief. As such, the waiver is before the committee for review.

It was VOTED

"To approve the sport-sponsorship waiver request submitted by the College of New Rochelle per NCAA Bylaw 20.11.3.6.1 for a three-year period, namely the 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13 academic years, with the opportunity to re-apply at the end of that three-year period, specifically prior to fall 2013."

3. Sports-Sponsorship Audit – 2008-09 – New York City College of Technology. Staff reviewed the facts surrounding the audit for New York City College of Technology noting that initially four sports for men and four sports for women were verified; however, the data used in the review was inconsistent. Staff indicated it reached out to the institution for additional information which was provided. The additional information was deemed to also be inconsistent and therefore staff continued outreach to the institution to obtain data for the sports where sport-sponsorship requirements have not been verified, specifically men's and women's indoor and outdoor track. Staff suggested that New York City College reach out to the institutions that it competed against to produce the necessary documentation.

   It was determined that the institution failed to produce sufficient documentation and therefore it cannot be verified that the institution met sport sponsorship for 2008-09. It was also noted that the institution is currently on probation. Staff will be notifying the institution that they did not meet sport sponsorship for 2008-09 and will be placed in restricted status. Staff explained the process to the committee noting what the appeals process would be. The committee recommended that a letter notifying the institution of its restricted status be sent immediately to the institution to provide ample time to move forward in the process.

4. Other Business. Staff noted that the sport-sponsorship audit for 2009-10 has begun per direction from the committee.

5. Adjournment. Ms. Levine concluded the teleconference at 1:33 p.m. Eastern time.

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