MINUTES OF THE

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

DIVISION III MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Teleconference March 11, 2010

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

Dale Knobel, Denison University and Charles Harris, Averett University, were unable to participate on the teleconference.

[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 1:04 p.m. Eastern time by the chair, Ms. Levine. All members were present as noted above.

1. Review February 16-17 In-Person Minutes. The committee reviewed the minutes from the February 16-17 in-person meeting. It was noted that the language related to Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Newark waiver be clarified.

   It was VOTED

   "That the February 16-17 in-person minutes be approved as amended."

2. Conference Member Applications. The committee reviewed the conference member application that was revised by staff based on feedback from the committee. Changes included a required president/chancellor signature as well as conference commissioner. The application included lines for a student-athlete advisory committee and conference president/chancellor contact. Also, the committee indicated that a letter needs to be submitted that explains the rationale for joining Division III and addresses

presidential involvement and oversight. The committee suggested capturing a way to require an institutional representative, specifically the athletics director and the individual to which athletics reports (e.g., president or chancellor) to affirm the institution's knowledge of and involvement with the conference such as a signature page.

3. United Volleyball Conference – Conference Application. The committee reviewed a conference application for the United Volleyball Conference. Staff shared that the conference previously had asked for an extension on the application deadline to allow time for the presidents at the involved institutions to review the constitution and bylaws.

   It was VOTED

   "To approve the conference application for the United Volleyball Conference."

4. Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference – Conference Application. The committee reviewed a conference application for the Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference. It was noted that the conference provided an application and requested a waiver of the application deadline because the conference was operating under a premise that it was already part of a conference. The committee decided not to accept the conference application and requested that the conference provide additional information demonstrating presidential involvement and that it complete the new conference application by March 29.

   It was VOTED

   "To approve an extension for the January 15 conference application deadline for the Midwest Women's Lacrosse Conference."

5. Other Business. Staff noted the next teleconference will take place Thursday, April 8.

6. Adjournment. Ms. Levine concluded the teleconference at 1:30 p.m. Eastern time.

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