

Middle Atlantic Conference Sports Information Directors Annual Meeting

May 14, 2012 – DeSales University

Present: Tim Flynn (Lebanon Valley), Joe Guistina (Lycoming), Jim Henry (FDU-Florham), Steve Sheridan (Manhattanville), Jimmy McCumber (Albright), Steve King (Messiah), Ken Andrews (MAC), Marie Godwin (MAC), BJ Spigelmeyer (DeSales), Matt Levy (Delaware Valley), Derek Crudele (Widener), Bob Ziadie (King's), Craig Butler (King's), Scott Crispell (Misericordia), Pat Piekarski (Misericordia), Vince Scalzo (Wilkes), Greg Roll (Wilkes), Joy Zazzera (Arcadia), Dan Mouw (Eastern), Matt Heffelfinger (Elizabethtown), Nick Steyn (Lebanon Valley)

Not present: Jon King (Alvernia), Adrienne Mulliken (Hood), Jason Eichelberger (Stevenson), Katie Cirilo (MAC)

1. Ken Andrews
 - a. Reminder: Volleyball Stats in 2013
 - i. NCAA will require complete box score
 - b. Terminology
 - i. There has been inconsistent usage among conference membership
 - ii. There is inconsistent use of "MAC Freedom" and "MAC Commonwealth" in the media
 - iii. There is no "regular season champion"
 1. BJ suggests Ken bring that up with coaches as a reminder
 - c. MAC 100
 - i. Tag Line
 1. Institutions are encouraged to customize the end of the tag line to fit their needs and promote their mission and history within the MAC.
 - ii. Promotions
 1. Uniform patches, floor decals, shirts, temporary tattoos
 - iii. Basketball games at Albright
 1. Sunday, March 17, 2013
 2. Seniors can participate
 3. Reception afterwards
 - iv. Week of Service
 1. Every school via SAAC groups should do service during D-III Week
 2. SIDs should work to highlight efforts
 - v. Memorable Moments
 - vi. Cross Country, Individual Tennis, Swimming, Outdoor Track & Field
 1. Alumni meet-up/events at each
 - vii. All-Century teams – Medals

1. Possibility of splitting into "eras", i.e. pre-1970's, pre-1993 (Centennial split), etc.
- d. 2013 Hall of Fame nominations and selection
 - i. Schools are encouraged to find an appropriate time to honor inductees whether at their Hall of Fame, Homecoming, alumni weekend, etc.
- e. All-Conference
 - i. Size of teams – honorable mention
 1. One coach's proposal was that anyone with two or more coaches voting for them gets honorable mention
 2. Honorable mention teams create inequality between the Commonwealth/Freedom when considered by percentage of the starters honored
 3. Could be public confusion to teams pegged by percentages
 4. **Recommendation:** First and second teams will be presented as normal. Honorable mention status will be awarded to any candidates who receives votes from two or more coaches and does not qualify for the first or second team.
 - a. **Moved** by BJ Spigelmeyer, **seconded** by Joe Gustina
 - b. **Passes 15-0**
 - ii. Criteria for voting
 1. All statistics vs. conference-only statistics
 2. Concern that the sample size for conference-only statistics is too small; for example, if a very good team blows out a bad team, and the star player doesn't play or plays sparingly, is that player penalized for not having more conference stats?
 3. General agreement that there should be suggestions of what data to look at, but there is no way to require a voting method
 - iii. Coach ranking part of voting information
 1. **Motion:** All student-athletes must finish their season on that's team's roster in good standing in order to earn all-conference status.
 - a. **Moved** by Bob Ziadie, **seconded** by Joe Guistia
 - b. **Passes 6-4 with 5 abstaining**
- f. Expectations of MAC programs
 - i. Recommendation to talk with Sidearm about using a conference-wide XML to populate stats for all-conference voting. BJ will talk with Sidearm.
- g. 2012-13 Hosts
- h. Technology
 - i. EZStream
 1. 12-13 schools will use them; price is expected to be \$1799/yr
 - ii. HUDL
 1. Football already on, men's soccer, m/w basketball, m/w lacrosse for 2012-13 (women's lacrosse for conference games only)

- iii. Videos
 - 1. Season previews and championship main focus for now
 - a. Modest expansion of video coverage for 2012-13, but realistically not a lot more than can be done considering current staffing.
 - 2. Sending large files
 - a. Please use the MAC upload site or Dropbox
 - i. Academic Recognition
 - i. Overall graduation rate or GPA
 - ii. GPA by Team
 - 1. **Motion:** SIDs group recommends that a GPA by Team award given to the top team in each MAC sport.
 - a. **Moved** by Tim Flynn, **seconded** by Bob Ziadie
 - b. **Passes 15-0**
 - iii. All-Scholar Athlete (Dan Mouw Committee)
 - 1. Committee's report not yet ready; meeting next week_
- 2. Items from SIDs
 - a. MAC Record Books (Matt Levy)
 - i. Would like to see better and more consistent quality in the MAC record books
 - ii. Bob Ziadie would like to see better archiving of things like academic honor roll, all-conference, etc.
 - b. Official postseason scenarios (BJ Spigelmeyer)
 - i. Confirm with Ken any time there is confusion on a tiebreaking scenario in the final week
 - c. Uploading XML to d3hoops.com (Multiple)
 - i. Approach Presto about a season-total XML upload
 - d. Not changing Statcrew team codes (Tim Flynn)
 - e. GolfStat reporting, specifically for the conference tournaments (Steve Sheridan)
 - i. **Motion:** The golf champion for each conference is responsible for inputting results to GolfStat
 - 1. **Moved** by Steve Sheridan, **seconded** by Scott Crispell
 - 2. **Passes 15-0**
 - f. Player of the Week, Strength of Schedule (Steve King)
 - i. Player of the week voters should pay attention to the strength of schedule for each candidate
 - g. Presentation of All-Conference from MAC Office (Jon King)
 - i. Can we have the teams in a table form that can be cut/paste into web stories
 - ii. MAC office should send SIDs both the PDF and the Word document with the all-conference team in a table that can be copy and pasted
 - h. Exchange of CAP files for lacrosse (Tim Flynn)
 - i. Suggestion to send CAP files when sending rosters in conference games
- 3. Items from Coaches

- a. Scoring Errors in softball (Katie Cirilo)
- 4. Housekeeping items
 - a. Is the baseball/softball lineup card rule effective?
 - i. Helpful for some, not all
 - b. Are institutions having trouble with the \$800 technology grant?
 - i. Let Ken know if you don't get it
 - c. Statcrew/Presto stats update