

MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CORPORATION

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 22, 2005
Billera Hall
DeSales University

Ken Andrews called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM

In attendance: Pam Samuelson, Vince Masco, Kathy Tierney, Toby Lovecchio, Nancy Latimore, Scott Coval

The **May 12, 2005 minutes** were accepted 6-0.

Old Business:

Discussion about the future of the Corporation relative to committee membership and scheduling occurred. Schedules are set through spring 2007 when the four schools leave. Until we know the new structure and membership, there is no need to start schedules – hopefully, they will be completed by summer 2006. All the directors of athletics should decide on committee membership.

Moravian and Juniata switched as championship hosts for men's and women's tennis in 2006-07 to accommodate some specific requests.

There is no reason to pursue an electronic film exchange until membership issues are resolved.

Ken Andrews posted information on restaurants and lodging for member schools on the MASCAC web site in the *Fact Book* under "Directions". Not all schools submitted information.

Because of the length and content of the awards presentation at the Annual Meeting, these recommendations emerged: introduce the awardees by season; include all information and quotes in the program; and, conduct a group picture at the end of the event.

New Business:

Fall championships budget was the best since the conference tournaments started. The Elizabethtown-Messiah rivalry and increased ticket prices are key to the success.

Committee Reports:

From the field hockey coaches, the motion to break all ties in voting for COY, POY, and ROY was approved 6-0.

A motion from men's and women's soccer to play all tournament games on Wednesday unless the host school does not have lights and has two games was defeated 0-6.

Ken Andrews expressed concern about rainouts on the first morning of the individual tournament, and the need for the men's and women's coaches to hold a joint meeting, since many of their issues are the same.

With a 6-0 vote, the women's team tennis championship will be moved to the spring. The top four seeds will be determined with fall round-robin play.

A motion to have all protests sent to the ITA was defeated 0-6 and sent to the sport committee for further action.

To help schools cover the cost of indoor time for team championship matches, the conference will reimburse the school up to \$350 per match. Matches should be scheduled as soon as indoor time is available. Passed 6-0.

Four of the six conference tennis matches will be scheduled on Saturdays. Approved 6-0.

The volleyball request to move tiebreaker #4 to #2 was approved 6-0.

The group did not act on a request from the volleyball coaches to have certified officials as line judges. They want all the directors of athletics to evaluate the severity of the problem.

Issues in wrestling about the regional qualifier and the North-South duals remain, but no action was taken.

Ken Andrews indicated the time of our conference meeting at the NCAA Convention. Kevin McHugh will come to the voting delegates meeting to review legislation and the work in "Phase II" regarding special initiatives in Division III. The December 5 agenda was reviewed to accommodate his presentation.

Use of "real time" sportsmanship tracking in NCAA sports was approved 6-0.

Ken Andrews inquired about the need for the SWA's to have a separate meeting. Group felt they have access and input at the voting delegate sessions.

Group does not want Rob Holman to attend voting delegates meeting to promote gear and speakers.

Ken Andrews asked about the use of championship programs to convey mission messages and appeals for fundraising. Although there was some concern, no one felt legislation or further discussion was warranted.

Ken Andrews presented information on the NCAA Initiatives Grant program. Information will be finalized for the March meeting. At that time, we will need to evaluate the budget and the approval process.

Ken Andrews inquired about how the increase in transportation costs would impact ECAC declarations. Not a short term issue, but the cost of ECAC membership in terms of the benefits is increasingly questionable.

There was a request to ask the voting delegates about the cost/benefit of ankle braces versus tape.

Adjournment at 12:15