

**MIDDLE ATLANTIC STATES COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC CORPORATION**

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MINUTES**

November 20, 2007  
Wilkes University

Ken Andrews called the meeting to order at 10 AM.

The May 15, 2007 minutes were accepted 6-0.

Old Business:

Membership issues were discussed. An official letter has gone to Shenandoah about full membership and affiliate membership in field hockey, lacrosse, and track& field.

Football challenges with PAC and ODAC are in the works for weeks 2 and 3. Concern was expressed about breaking contracts with schools to participate in challenge/s.

The gender equity review will include staffing compensation.

Lehigh is not available for indoor track, but Susquehanna has offered use of their facility.

It was agreed that conference call for sport meetings should be the norm. Exceptions only to be made in case of a large agenda (more than 30-45 minutes). The discussion and ranking of players can be done via e-mail.

Ken Andrews explained the late production of sport schedules.

Ken Andrews reviewed three sportsmanship initiatives:

Sportsmanship letter to be sent to parents prior to each season.

For sports the NCAA does not track, athletic administrators are to provide Ken Andrews with sportsmanship violations.

Distribution of sportsmanship t-shirts.

Lacrosse automatic qualification was discussed with sentiment favoring maintenance of two conference championships.

New Business:

The 2007 fall championships budget was a little lower because of fewer gate receipts and added tennis costs.

For the December 3 meeting:

Lee McKinney, a member of Management Council, will review NCAA issues.

Keith Levinthal will present information on some of the technology initiatives Manhattanville has implemented.

A discussion ensued about the number of teams for Freedom tournaments (9 teams in sport). Debate centered on 5 or 6 entries. Without endorsing a position, the group passed (6-0) the issue on to the Voting Delegates.

The future MASCAC budget was reviewed by Ken Andrews.

With a 6-0 vote, the payment of game site expenses by the host from gate receipts passed. Schools can keep the 25% of the excess game money; the other 75% will go to a fund to compensate away teams at the end of the year.

With a 6-0 vote approved the concept of centralized conference official assignments through conference office. Ken Andrews will provide costs and coverage guarantees at spring meeting.

With a 6-0 vote moved that the Voting Delegates provide arguments pro and con on starting a "presidents cup".

Men's and women's soccer request to go with a point system for the standings (3 for a win and 1 for a tie) was approved 6-0.

Two motions passed 6-0 in volleyball.

The libero will count as an all-conference team position (7 players).

Regardless of cost or vendor, volleyball will use the NCAA ball.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.