



LSC Directors of Compliance Meeting

June 20, 2014
Allen, TX

Those participating were:

Angelo State University: Christina Whetsel
Cameron University: Kim Vinson
Eastern New Mexico University: Rachel Johnson, Kristen Schmidt
Midwestern State University: Not Represented
Tarleton State University: Justin Boyd
Texas A&M University-Commerce: Judy Sackfield (Liaison), Jacob Walker
Texas A&M University-Kingsville: Amanda Knight, Jackie Wallgren
Texas Woman's University: Charolette Hunt
West Texas A&M University: Paul Sweetgall
LSC Office: Jay Poerner

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Compliance Operating Code:** It was moved (TWU) and seconded (CU) to edit Bylaw 10.02 to include an institution's Senior Woman Administrator as an administrator that can report allegations from another Conference institution.

Passed Unanimously

10.02 Reports of Allegations From Another Conference Institution

Prior to forwarding allegations to the Conference office, the institution shall determine if there is sufficient information to support the allegation. Allegations submitted to the Conference office by members of the Lone Star Conference shall be accepted from an institution's Director of Athletics **or Senior Woman Administrator**. Other individuals (e.g., coaches) who report information to Lone Star Conference staff shall be directed to contact the appropriate campus personnel for submission of the allegation(s).

2. **Vice-Chair of 2014-15 LSC Directors of Compliance:** It was moved and seconded to nominate Rachel Johnson, ENMU. **Passed Unanimously**

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

3. LSC Compliance Forms: Reviewed LSC Compliance forms for updates:

- LSC Eligibility Report Form: Add a column for "status change" similar to the CA Eligibility Checklist Form.
- LSC Participation Report: Add a line for the head coach to print his or her name.
- LSC Four-Year Transfer Form: No changes proposed.
- LSC Two-Year Transfer Form: No changes proposed.
- LSC Hardship Waiver Application: No changes proposed.

4. RSRO Reporting: Discussed the new NCAA Request and Self-Report Online system for waivers, violations and interpretations. It was determined that institutions should select the LSC Associate Commissioner for Compliance to e-sign all self-reported secondary violations. This will allow the Conference Office to review self-reports and enter the conference action online prior to submitting. This should streamline the process and save time for compliance administrators.

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5. Discussion Items: The group discussed the following topics and shared best practices:

- Rules Education: Compliance administrators shared their best practices for providing rules education to coaches, staff, student-athletes and administrators outside of athletics (FA, Admissions, Registrar, etc.)
- Financial Aid Agreements: Discussion focused on whether or not schools should include in their athletic aid agreements the Bylaw 15.3.4.1 permissible reasons for reduction/cancellation. Also, there was discussion on whether or not team/departments policies should be included in aid agreements if they can be used as a reason to reduce aid. It was recommended that everyone have this discussion with their institutional legal counsel.
- Social Media: Reviewed the latest NCAA Education Column on social media platforms and recruiting (released June 11, 2014). Recommended that this document be provided to coaches and used as a rules education topic.
- Texas Success Initiative (TSI): The group will invite the TSI administrator from Tarleton State University to join a future conference call to discuss best practices, terminology and what coaches need to know about the initiative when talking to prospects.

6. Proposed NCAA Legislation: Reviewed the merits of LSC softball equivalency proposal, the GLVC weekly hours outside the playing season proposal, and the Peach Belt Conference Challenge Event proposal.

7. Medical Doctor: Discussed Proposal 2014-24 and the designation of a team physician legislation effective August 1, 2014. Determined that this would be discussed further on the July conference call to ensure everyone was on the same page and in compliance with the rule next year. Consider creating a conference form for schools to use.

8. LSC/Balfour Academic Award: The LSC Council of Athletic Administrators asked the compliance directors to review the award and establish guidelines for calculating the team GPA. After much discussion, it was determined that a subcommittee would be formed of 5-6 compliance directors and academic advisors. The subcommittee will meet via conference call to establish the GPA criteria and protocol for reporting.

Submitted by: Jay Poerner