



SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTORS' MEETING MINUTES

February 6, 2014, Conference Call

Those participating were:

Angelo State: Brandon Ireton, Wes Bloomquist, Christina Whetsel (Liaison); Cameron: Don Vieth; Eastern New Mexico: Adam Pitterman, Phillip; Midwestern State: Trey Reed, Bill Powers; Tarleton State: Dameon Myres; Texas A&M-Commerce: Ben, Phillip; Texas A&M-Kingsville: Aaron; Texas Woman's: Naveen Boppana (Chair); West Texas A&M: Kit Strief; LSC Office: Melanie Robotham.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **PRESS BOX REQUIREMENTS**: It was moved (MSU) and seconded (A&M-C) to require both hard wired internet and analog phone lines access for both home and away football and basketball broadcasts. In all other sports, shall provide the best possible broadcast options (ideally hard-wired internet and analog phone lines). **Passed unanimously.** NOTE: A poll was conducted and six schools currently broadcast using hard-wired internet, five use analog phone lines, and two use both. Also, surveyed each school to see what was currently provided with six of seven football and eight of nine basketball facilities providing hard-wired internet and analog phone lines.
2. **PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**: It was moved (CU) and seconded (MSU) that a player should not be eligible for a weekly award using statistics in a non-countable contest (exhibition) or where a team win or loss is not officially recorded. **Passed unanimously.**
3. **PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**: It was moved (MSU) and seconded (ASU) to recognize no more than one player of the week for each current award. **Passed unanimously.** RATIONALE: The intention is to align those honored by sport. Currently, baseball and volleyball honor two (2) for each award, while the other sports recognize one (1). This would not eliminate co-players of the week.
4. **UNIFORMS**: It was moved (ENMU) that there must be contrast between jersey color and numbers not including trim, and if uniform numbers are not legible statistical change requests should not be allowed for any reason. **Motion failed for lack of second.**
5. **NATIONAL SIGNING DAY**: It was moved (ENMU) and seconded (MSU) to dedicate the first Wednesday in February to National Signing Day with no conference games scheduled to generate more coverage. **Passed 4-0-5.** RATIONALE: Would allow time to generate more coverage, which would increase the amount of publicity and website hits, and have a coaches' show that day.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

6. **MEDIA RIGHTS**: Discussion on including audio and video broadcast rights in game management as well and adding new operating code for broadcasting, marketing/advertising since it pertains to all those groups. NOTE: Right now, this information is included in the Sports Information operating code.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Robotham