

Conference Captains Minutes
Monday, June 1, 2009
Noon – 1:00 p.m. ET

NCAA Division I
Presiding – Sherri Coale

- I. Welcome – Sherri Coale
- II. Roll Call – Julie Donlin
 - a. Attendance: Sherri Coale, Muffet McGraw, Jen Rizzotti, Deb Richardson (for Cathy Andruzzi), Jill Dunn, Andria Jones (for Deb Patterson), Erin Geary (for Phyllis Mangina), Tricia Binford, Betsy Blose, Coquese Washington, Lynne Roberts, Meg Barber (for Debbie Taylor), Marc Wilson (for Audra Smith), Beth Couture, Joe Logan, Maria Fantanarosa, Dee Stokes, Jim Flanery, Jeff Mittie, Stephanie Gaitley, Nikki Caldwell, Tammy Smith, Amanda Butler, Annette Watts, Carlos Funchess (for Sandy Pugh), Eric Johnson, Cindy Fisher
 - b. Not in Attendance: Carolyn Campbell-McGovern, Kellie Harper, Dayna Smith, Brady Sallee, Rae Blair, Shann Hart
- III. Approval of April 4, 2009 minutes – Sherri Coale
 - a. First motion to approve – Annette Watts
 - b. Second motion to approve – Dee Stokes
- IV. Legislative Updates – Shannon Reynolds –
 - a. Foresight Committee Process Review: The Foresight Committee is comprised of DI Conference Captains and DI members of the WBCA Board of Directors. We will have a Foresight Committee conference call on September 21, 2009 at Noon ET. Conference Captains are responsible for conducting a conference call with all the coaches in their conference. Each Conference Captain will be required to submit, by email, any issues that their conference coaches want to bring forth through the WBCA Foresight Process for 2009-2010, to the WBCA by October 15, 2009. The WBCA will then compile all the issues and send out to the WBCA Legislative Committee for pros and cons feedback. Once that is complete, the DI members will receive a copy of the Foresight Issues by email before the Holiday break. Any new issues that come up over the course of the season may be forwarded to the WBCA by the March 19, 2010 deadline as well as any voting right transfers for the WBCA Convention. All Foresight issues are discussed during the morning open forum at the WBCA Convention DI Business Meeting. Electronic voting on issues take place in the afternoon session. Issues that are supported with a minimum of 70% majority vote are then forwarded to the Women's Basketball Issues Committee, the body that needs to support the issues to keep them moving into the NCAA Legislative cycle. NCAA deadline to submit proposals in the Legislative Cycle is July 15th. It is never too early to begin the process. Start looking at your calendars as to a good time for your conference

coaches to set up a conference call. You don't have to wait until after the September 21st conference call to schedule or have your call with your conference coaches.

- b. Results from the Voting at the DI Business meeting (were sent out to all DI members immediately following convention):
 - i. Voted on three NCAA Legislative proposals that were going before the NCAA Legislative Council for final approval.
 1. 2008-12 (Adopted) – Advantage - Don't have to touch home, four coaches can be out on the road recruiting in **July**; Disadvantage – No splitting days, only three coaches can be in the gym in any given day.
 2. The other two proposals that were voted on were all sport proposals and they didn't go the direction that our coaches voted on: 2008-25-D (Adopted), are not able to offer an NLI until the prospect has completed the Amateurism Certification form; 2008-45 (Defeated), running concurrent skill instructions – reasoning was that there was too many unknowns.
 - ii. The WBCA DI coaches supported three proposals by a minimum vote of 70%. These proposals were sent on to the Women's Basketball Issues Committee (WBIC). The WBIC supported two of the three proposals. They did not support the proposal that would eliminate the possibility of having a non-scholastic weekend on Easter. Reasoning was that the NCAA tries to shy away from having holidays influence NCAA rules.
 1. WBCA also sent out to all DI members the list of Foresight Issues that received at least 60% majority vote. Coaches who support any one of these issues are encouraged to go back and discuss with their conference coaches. Any one of these issues may be moved forward to the NCAA Legislative Process through Conference Sponsorship.
 - a. Amanda Butler – SEC talked about the practice proposal and will be submitting the proposal about 30 practice units in a 40-day window. SEC coaches also discussed being included on the men's proposal that is being put forth through the Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group.
- c. Men's Basketball Academic Enhancement Group has proposed a staggered start for the beginning of the season: October 1-8th, have 8 hours a week with 4 hours for practice; October 9-14th, increase to 12 hours, with 8 hours of practice; October 15th on, at the regular 20 hours.
 - i. Since the WBCA supported an early start date, we told the WBIC that at this point it was a men's proposal. If this proposal does move forward we would want to be included.
 - ii. Coach Coale asks if we would not be better served to attach ourselves to the men's legislation then to have a separate proposal going through?
 1. We have voiced to the WBIC that we would want to be included in the men's proposal if it went through, however that doesn't mean that the SEC could not move forward with their proposal. It is different than what the men have proposed. Don't want to tell a conference not to propose something that they feel strongly about.

2. SEC coaches talked with their Commissioner about the interest in the men's proposal. The Commissioner pointed out that the women don't really fall under it, because the men's proposal was created from the concerns in men's basketball that don't exist in women's basketball.
 - a. Shannon Reynolds will talk to Lynn Holzman about this and next steps. One new thing that the WBCA is going to do this year is to survey the entire DI membership in August about all the women's basketball related proposals that will be going through the 2009-10 NCAA Legislative Cycle. After the results from that survey, we will have a better understanding as to what proposals our membership wants to be attached, with regards to the earlier start date.
- d. Compliance Corner just went out on Friday, May 29, 2009. Will help Conference Captains by reading it and answering any questions that may come to you from your conference coaches.
 - i. Overview of Youth Basketball Initiative – They are staffed and have Executive Director, Kevin Weiberg who came and talked with the WBCA staff. One thing that needs to be stressed that is contrary to what we had heard in the past: their first initiative is not going to be involved in hosting events over the summer. They are going to be very Internet based and technology driven. They are not ruling out event hosting, but are hoping to influence the way events are run and event operators by their online programs.
 - ii. Men's Enhancement package – posted on the WBCA website.
- e. DI Recruiting Calendar for 2009-10 is out and can be found on the DI legislative page of the WBCA website.
- f. The WBCA sent out a survey to all DI members in May to help provide feedback to the NCAA on Coaching Limitations and Personnel. We received 160 responses. It is really important and want to make sure that our Board of Directors and Captains are completing these surveys. We have started to post those who have participated in the surveys online. We will keep you posted on the direction of the survey.
 - i. There was no support to adding an additional coach. There did seem to be some interest in having a volunteer coach, managers, etc.
- g. Coach Coale asked what happened with the issue about players on AAU teams from multi-states? – WBIC wasn't unanimous on how they felt about it. Most AAU teams were in favor for more of a regional team. Men's rule in NCAA manual on page 370: Bylaw 30.15 (k) - can only have 3 players from other states however they must be from adjoining states; Non-scholastic specific, doesn't mention AAU.
 1. When we present in a survey form, put the rationale as to why we would be looking to add this rule, like the men's.
 2. WBCA will do an educational piece on it and then ask membership feedback on the survey.

- V. 2010 Yes Clinics Progress Report – America East → Jen Rizzotti; Atlantic 10 → Cathy Andruzzi; Big East → Phyllis Mangina; Ivy Group → Dayna Smith; Metro → Joe Logan; Mid-Eastern → Dee Stokes; Northeast → Stephanie Gaitley; Ohio Valley → Brady Sallee; and Patriot League → Tammy Smith – Betty Jaynes
- a. Many coaches have already responded to Betty Jaynes with names of coaches who will participate in the Yes Clinics in San Antonio.
 - i. Dee Stokes has a large percentage of head coaches in the MEAC participating.
 - ii. 100% participation for the America East Conference – Jen Rizzotti
 - iii. Cathy Andruzzi from the Atlantic 10 will be getting in touch with Betty shortly on this.
 - iv. Phyllis Mangina will email Betty the Big East coaches who will be participating on Wednesday.
 - v. Need to hear from the Ivy Group. Paul Nixon from Columbia University will be taking over for Dayna Smith. The WBCA will get in touch with him.
 - vi. MAAC conference meeting on June 2, 2009 and will have a better idea of who will be participating at the end of the week.
 - vii. Stephanie Gaitley, from the Northeast Athletic Conference is waiting hear back from coaches. Will be following up with coaches and will let Betty know.
 - viii. Need to hear from Brady Sallee of the Ohio Valley Conference.
 - ix. Tammy Smith from the Patriot League has five commitments and will be emailing them to Betty.
 - x. Betty Jaynes thanked the Captains for all of their work. We could not do the YES Clinics without Captains. Captains are a key influential factor and the NCAA really appreciates your hard work.
- VI. Update on the “So You Want To Be A Coach” program for San Antonio and Award Committee Voting Results – Betty Jaynes
- a. Submitted grant to NCAA. 2010 will be year 8 for “SO”. The participant goal again this year is to acquire 50 women with preference to minorities. Have great participation from coaches to speak and participate in the program.
 - b. WBCA Awards Committee voting results divided out by conference was not able to be completed this year. On the list for next year as we upgrade our database system.
 - i. Good idea from Jen Rizzotti: Allow Captains to know 48 hours before the vote is completed for State Farm and Russell coaches awards, who in each conference has voted. Send to Conference Captains to contact those coaches that have not voted yet. We will be taking that suggestion this year. Sidebar tip: Voting always closes for Division I Awards on Selection Monday at 5:00 PM ET.
- VII. Report on St. Louis Convention, WBCA membership, and August Membership Call – Tip Tucker Kendall
- a. In St. Louis, there were 1,107 DI Registrants. This is down about 100 from Tampa. **Registration opens in September for San Antonio.**

- b. WBCA sent out a large scale survey right after convention. Had over 600 participants complete the survey which was about 1/3 of total registrants.
- c. Current DI coaches and DOBO membership is 1,341. Moving straight into dues cycle. This is the first year that we have all members renewing at the same time. Everyone should be on the September 1 through August 31st membership year. Reminders will be sent out in the next couple of weeks, first invoice will be by email and a second will be followed up by hardcopy.
- d. Launched a membership survey on June 4, 2009. Haven't done a large scale survey in a while. Included members' needs from convention planning and program to leadership and the direction of the WBCA.
 - i. Tentatively set up a call on August 17, 2009 from Noon to 1:00 PM to discuss the membership survey results and WBCA next steps to increase membership and membership participation.

VIII. CEO Report – Beth Bass

- a. Was in Indianapolis taking part in the BCA ACE program, meeting with the NCAA for a debriefing from St. Louis and planning for San Antonio, and meeting with Executive Directors of various sport organizations to help figure out what is happening with the economy and the challenges that are affecting us.
- b. Essential that Conference Captains assist with completing and getting the coaches in their conference to complete the surveys that we send out. We need to know if we are meeting members' needs and that we can count on Captains for support and renewing membership to the WBCA.
- c. August is a huge month for us with renewals. We need Conference Captains help and support.
- d. WBCA is moving forward with our new website launch and new style of our magazine that will be coming out in September.
- e. Three streams of revenue at the WBCA: (1) Convention Dollars (2) Membership Dues (3) Corporate Sponsors
 - i. Nfinity was very excited with their party in St. Louis. Looking to do bigger and better things down the line.
 - ii. Working on finding some new corporate sponsorship.
- f. WBCA is trying to figure out next steps to come out bigger and better.

IX. Miscellaneous

- a. Coach Coale: Men's Basketball has an Ethics Committee that they put together. Coach Coale has talked with Oklahoma men's basketball coach, Jeff Capel, who is a member on this committee. The Committee met in Indianapolis about a month ago and discussed very much the same topics that we have been discussing. E.i.: Scouting Services, Hiring Practices, the fondling of money, Agents and their involvement in recruiting, and packet prices.
 - i. How Men's Basketball set up their committee: Representation from all 6 of the BCS conferences, three NCAA Representatives, decided on the need for Alumni Representation (2 retired coaches on the Committee) and about to name a couple of Assistant Coaches to the Committee.
 - 1. The way they conducted business: Issues driven agenda. They formed subcommittees, in the hopes that the individual coaches on

the subcommittees would go out and gather information. Purpose was not legislative, but to educate. Knowledge is power. Information gathering task.

2. Why aren't we right there with them? Maybe we are right there ready to form a committee. Interesting that so much of what the men are doing parallels what we are talking about.
 - ii. Beth Bass plans to discuss with the NCAA staff liaisons to the men's committee about this and have been told that we will be in the loop with their reports. Will talk about this in August at the Board of Directors meetings as to next steps.
- b. Coach Coale thanked all the new Conference Captains and to all Conference Captains for their participation and support. Conference Captains role is incredibly important. We need for you to voice to us the opinions, the ideas, and the concerns of the coaches in your conference. Also, as we send you information, we need you to funnel the information to your coaches. The process of the Foresight Committee is completely and totally dependent upon your engagement as a Conference Captain. Thank you for your commitment and reaching outside of your own program to do something that is really essential for the growth of our sport.
- c. Beth Bass – Thank You Coach Sherri Coale from the entire membership to the staff for her leadership as President. Coach Coale's leadership and vision has lead us through some really tough times. Another part of Coach Coale's legacy as WBCA President was to put us on the right track with the Leadership/Ethics piece.
- d. Amanda Butler expressed a suggestion that came from her conference coaches: some of the surveys that are sent out are hard to understand exactly what is being asked. Suggestion was that a draft is sent first to the conference captains to look at it: the way questions are worded and the overall intent of the survey. Possibility to increase the participation.
 - i. Something WBCA will do a better job at.

X. Thank you – Sherri Coale

- a. Next call will be Monday, August 17, 2009 from Noon to 1:00 PM ET to discuss membership.
- b. Foresight Committee Call is on Monday, September 21, 2009.

Division I Call Schedule for 2009-2010

Monday, August 17, 2009 (Membership Call)	Noon to 1:00 PM ET
Monday, September 21, 2009 (*Foresight Committee)	Noon to 1:30 PM ET
Monday, October 19, 2009	Noon to 1:00 PM ET
Monday, November 30, 2009	Noon to 1:00 PM ET
Sunday, April 4, 2010 (Easter)	TBA San Antonio, TX
Monday, June 7, 2010	Noon to 1:00 PM ET
Monday, September 20, 2010 (*Foresight Committee)	Noon to 1:30 PM ET