

Women's Basketball Coaches Association
Division I Conference Captains Conference Call
Minutes of Monday, April 3, 2006

- I. Welcome – Shannon Reynolds and Doug Bruno
- II. Sign In Sheet - Betty Jaynes. 24 of 34 Captains were in attendance.
- III. Approval of February Minutes – Betty Jaynes. Motion was passed to approve February minutes.
- IV. Legislation – Shannon Reynolds. Association needs a stance on what we should do in regards to discontinuing and decreasing aid. Coaches are verbally offering aid at camps. We need to get feedback from the membership on the direction we want to take in regards to the subject matter.
- V. President Update – Doug Bruno. Stressed the importance of speaking through the proper channels not just the media in regards to the selection committee decisions for the brackets. The WBCA is working with the selection committee to communicate our feedback and improve the process for the future. If you have additional comments please put them in writing so we can relay your opinions to the selection committee.
- VI. NCAA Rules Discussion – Heather Perry. Heather introduced members from her staff on the rules committee. In attendance were Betsy Blose, Barbara Jacobs, Rhonda Seagraves and Bill Nephel. They stressed the importance of our membership to complete and respond to the rules surveys the NCAA sends out. The Playing Rules Oversight Panel (PROP) reviews all playing rules committee proposals and comments from coaches and commissioners. All rule changes approved by the PROP are incorporated into the next rules book.

Rules Proposals – Barbara Jacobs. Barbara discussed rules proposals. Anyone can send in a proposal and it will get in front of the rules committee. Barbara's job is to help our membership understand how certain rules affect other rules. She referenced a few proposals to be considered:

Rule 4.20.2 – Consider automatic ejection for committing a direct technical foul that results in disqualification for committing a fifth personal foul. This would require the player to go to the locker room instead of going to the bench.

Rule 5-10.1a – Consider allowing a player to call timeout if he/she has at least one foot on the floor and is in control of the ball.

Rule 5-23a – Consider treating lost or irritated contacts the same as a bleeding player.

Rule 9-10 – Consider adopting the 10-second backcourt rule.

Rule 10-8.2, 10-10.2, 10-12.2 – Consider not having a direct technical foul count towards a player's five fouls for disqualification or towards the team total for the bonus. Rhonda Seagraves, Chair of the Rules Committee discussed trying to keep the men and women's rules balanced. She discussed that the men might adopt moving the 3 point line back. She

also mentioned that there is a discussion to have the media timeout format across the board whether the media is there or not.

- VII. Awards Program – Betty Jaynes. Betty discussed the low involvement in our scholarship awards and stressed to the Captains to spread the word on our awards program for next year.
- VIII. Code of Ethics & Sexual Misconduct – Betty Jaynes. Over the last 18 months the WBCA and our legal counsel has been working on a Code of Ethics for our membership. Each WBCA member will receive it once it is finalized.

The WBCA now has a section on our website that discusses sexual misconduct. For more information please view the following link <http://www.wbca.org/misconduct.asp>
- IX. Internship Program – Richard Barron encouraged the captains give back to the WBCA Internship Program. He urged coaches to contribute financially to get young adults involved and to continue to grow the game of basketball.
- X. YES Clinics – Betty Jaynes. Betty thanked those involved in the YES clinics for their participation.
- XI. Terms for Conference Captains – Betty Jaynes. Betty discussed the terms for conference captains and reviewed whose terms have expired.
- XII. Awards Q & A – Betty Jaynes and Amy Lowe. Discussed how to get nominations for Coach of the Year so it does not show that they nominated their self on the nomination form when in fact the SID completed it. Reviewed the regional alignment issue we had this year and the steps the WBCA is taking with the NCAA to prevent this from happening in the future.
- XIII. Conference Captain Conference Call – Betty Jaynes. The captains decided to move their May 1st call to June 5th from noon to 1:00 PM EST.
- XIV. Brackets – Doug Bruno. The Miles Brand group will meet to discuss the decisions of the selection committee in May. The captains wanted equal representation by the mid major schools in this meeting. They agreed that if there were 6 committee members from the BCS then they wanted 6 committee members from the mid major level. They agreed to accept 3 administrators and 3 coaches at the mid major level.
- XV. Think Tank – Doug Bruno. Need to include mid majors in future Think Tanks
- XVI. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. Eastern.