



**Conference Captains Agenda  
Tuesday, October 13, 2009  
11:00 AM - Noon. EST**

**NCAA Division II  
Presiding – Carmen Dolfo**

- I. Welcome – Carmen Dolfo
  
- II. In Attendance: Carmen Dolfo, Sue Ramsey, Joddie Gleason, Jennifer Carleton, Corey Fox, Time O'Hagan, Jeff Curtis, Ryan (for Kelli Lindley), Shannon Bergen, Chris Ratcliff, Jason Martens, Linden Weese, Kelley Watts, Chris Kielsmeier, Angie Kristensen, Gie Parsons, Paula Krueger, Jennifer Nance, Niki Washington, Kenny Osborne.  
  
Not in Attendance: Charrisse Perry, David Smith, Lane Lord, Buffie Burson, Belinda Roby.
  
- III. Approval of April and August Minutes – Carmen Dolfo
  1. First Motion to Approve: Gie Parsons
  2. Second Motion to Approve: Shannon Bergen
  3. Approved Unanimously
  
- IV. Review Job Descriptions, captains involvement with WBCA State Farm Coaches Division II All-America Team (contact conference coaches to nominate before February 19, 2010 and before March 5, 2010 for voting), “So You Want To Be A Coach” program, WBCA Internships and call schedule – Betty Jaynes
  1. Betty Jaynes briefly emphasized four points for the Conference Captain job description:
    - a. Always be on the conference captains calls or have a substitute so that your conference is represented.
    - b. Always send out the News & Notes to the coaches in your conference.
    - c. Get coaches in your conference to become members of the WBCA. Encourage to go to the WBCA National Convention. Speaking points about convention to Athletic Directors and coaches can be found on [wbca.org](http://wbca.org), events page, national convention, resources for coaches.
    - d. Assist the DII State Farm Coaches All-American Committee (Captains made such a great impact last year).
      - i. Send email to coaches in conference to remind them to nominate (Deadline 2/19/10)
      - ii. Call those coaches in your conference who haven't voted yet (Deadline 3/5/09). The WBCA will send you a list of those coaches 2 days before the delaine date.
    - e. On October 9, 2009, the WBCA was approved for the So You Want to be a Coach grant. Applications where posted on [wbca.org](http://wbca.org), Friday, Oct. 23.
    - f. Calling for Betty F. Jaynes Interns. Applications are online now.
      - i. No stipends associate with the internship this year. Due to the economy, this is the first year the WBCA has not had paid internships. Going forward, still plan on having paid internships, if funds are available.

V. WBCA Membership and San Antonio Update – Tip Tucker Kendall

1. Asked the group for feedback on the new format of Coaching Women’s Basketball magazine. Lots of positive feedback. A lot of the content ideas came from the membership survey this past summer. Calling for coaches who would like to help with content, ideas to put in the magazine, would like to write, or if there is anything you would like to see in the magazine, please let the WBCA know. This is the first of the many changes in the WBCA.
  - a. New e-newsletter, Fastbreak, will be launching in the middle of November.
2. More convention communication will be sent out about San Antonio with speakers and convention changes soon.
3. DII is slightly ahead from last year on Convention Registration.
4. With regards to the membership side, we are still working on getting everyone transitioned to 8/31 renewal date and getting coaches to renew. Still have 82 DII, 37 Head Coaches, who have not renewed yet.
  - a. Asking Conference Captains to contact those coaches who haven’t renewed and those coaches in your conference who are not members – encourage to renew/join the WBCA and to come to Convention.
  - b. Linden Weese asked about Yes Clinics. Feels this is a good program and great idea last year to add the “SO” participants. NCAA is adjusting and making changes to the Yes Clinics. Name may be changed, but there is still going to be something there for the youth.
  - c. Jason Martens – Was able to meet with the NCAA a few weeks ago. Changing the title of the Yes Clinics, doing something different and new for Hoop City. NCAA is doing some exciting, new and women’s basketball specific things this year.

VI. Legislation Update – Sue Ramsey and Julie Donlin

1. Briefly went over current DII NCAA legislative proposals:
  - a. Confirmed legislation to be voted on during the NCAA Convention.
    - i. Reinforce to coaches in your conference that it is by a school to school vote during the NCAA Convention. Talk to your Athletic Directors; give them your feedback and how you feel about the current issues. Let your voice be heard through them.
  - b. Life in the Balance summary has to be developed by the NCAA to serve as an additional educational piece to the SPOPL, to help understand the intent of the proposals, to streamline seasons and to reduce contests in 9 sports. You may find this on the wbcA.org, DII legislative page.
    - i. Proposal 2-9: Winter Break – Dead Period from December 20-26<sup>th</sup> where student-athletes will not participate in any countable athletically related activities during that time period. For all winter sports.
      - a. Jennifer Nance: If this happens, every high school in the country is going to start playing in Christmas Tournaments. Now coaches, instead of being at practice for 3 hours a day, they will be out recruiting for 8-10 hours a day. Have they thought about that? Not much Life in the Balance for coaches.
        1. Sue Ramsey – No, Life in the Balance is more for the student-athletes not the coaches.
        2. Linden Weese asks the group how they feel their schools are going to vote on this issue. He gets the feeling this is a dead issue and is going to pass. Most of the group agreed.

- ii. Proposal 2-13: Reduction in contests – basketball would go from 27 to 26 contests.
    - a. Feeling this is going to pass.
    - b. Paula Kruger – Chair of the NCAA President’s Council is within her conference. Just had women’s basketball meeting and was told this is a done deal.
    - c. Kids want to play; they don’t want to have another day of practice.
      - 1. Sue Ramsey – True, but thinks this was derived from a cost perspective also.
  - iii. Proposal 2-14: First Contest – prior to the second Friday in November. Removes the November 15<sup>th</sup> start date so everybody has the option to open on a weekend. This one is controversial. DII Legislative Committee does not support this proposal.
  - c. Regional format is staying the same, with the top seed hosting the eight team tournament. Contingency plan is still available if needed.
- iv. CEO Report – Beth Bass
- 1. WBCA closed books on August 31<sup>st</sup>. New year starting September 1<sup>st</sup>. WBCA staff did a great job with tightening the belts and cutting where we could. Looking forward to a great convention in San Antonio.
  - 2. WBCA has been working with the NCAA, planning for this year’s basketball season. Lots of exciting changes are being planned for the Women’s Final Four and the WBCA Convention.
  - 3. WBCA is making a huge commitment to a new data base and website. Company we went with is IMG. Need a complete overhaul to keep up with the times and to better communicate with our members.
  - 4. Beth Bass has had two great appearances for the Kay Yow/WBCA Cancer Fund. One in White Plains, NY, where Cynthia Cooper-Dyke spoke on behalf of The Hartford and Morgan Stanley Group. The second appearance was at the Women’s Sport Foundation where Coach Summitt spoke.
- VII. Thank you – Carmen Dolfo
- 1. Thanks everyone for being on the call. Wishes everyone good luck as the start of the season begins.
  - 2. **Next call is December 7, 2009 from 11:00 a.m. – Noon EST.**