

COA MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Shelter Pointe Hotel & Marina

San Diego, California

October 12, 2004

A. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS - JOHN KEEVER

The meeting was called to order and Chair John Keever introduced new members, Clar Appledoorn, Kanoe Bandy, Rod Beilby, William Kaiser, Cassie Macias, Lefty Olguin, and Dan Smith. Members in attendance were: Fran Babich, Deborah Blackmore, Shannon Bracy, Steve Cassady, Pauline Clark, Bob Clement, Terry Coblentz, Dean Crowley, Ann Heck, Tony Lipold, Eric Mendoza, Jim Sartoris, Roger Schultz, Jean Snuggs, Pete Snyder, Steve Ward, Jerry White, Susan Yates, Joanne Fortunato, Stu Van Horn, Debra Wheeler, and Judith Centlivre. Matt Jackson was unable to attend. Also in attendance were Bill Andrews, Debbie Budd, Shirley Baskin, Kulwant Singh, Dave Evans, Rob Willson, Susan Beers, Dennis Roberts, Jody Wise, John Fylpaa, Sue Gatlin, Gary Dilley, Avie Bridges, Steve DaPrato, Chris Hawken, Debbie Cavion, Joe Jennum, Gary Kollenborn, Tony Costello, John Wade, Pat Doyle, Janice Maran, Barbara Bond, John Knox, Jack Hacker, Bill Gillespie, Carolyn Biedler, Larry Johnston, Jim Mecate, Fred Baer, Evans Roderick, Candie Dickinson.

B. REVIEW OF APRIL 1, 2004, MINUTES

It was MSC to approve the April 1, 2004, Management Council meeting minutes. These are available on the COA website at http://www.coasports.org/meetings/mgtc_mins040104.pdf.

C. CHAIR UPDATE/REMARKS

Chair John Keever acknowledged the self-imposed legislation over the last two years due to the budget crisis and that there will hopefully be no further cuts this year, and the college campuses can begin to move forward. He encouraged the membership to be involved and that by doing so each can become a part of the solution rather than part of the problem. The Management Council's goal is to improve the athletic programs and make a level playing field with fiscal responsibility. He noted that all the affiliate groups need to look at the big picture and remember that the primary focus is to help create a great experience for the student athletes.

D. COA BOARD REPORT

Board Chair Eva Conrad explained that the COA Board is the administrative arm of the organization, the policy-making body. She commented that the task of communication is the premier challenge of the organization and that the Board is dedicated to the task of creating opportunities for communication.

E. AFFILIATE ORGANIZATION REPORTS

1. CCCADA

CCCADA President Dave Evans briefed the COA Board on his meeting that morning, wherein the State Commissioner and the Associate Commissioner gave presentations. He indicated that there are two positions coming open on the Management Council: sport representatives for wrestling and volleyball. Interested persons should download the nomination forms on the CCCADA website and turn in as soon as possible. The CCADA has decided to return to a three-day format for its annual convention that will be held at Lake Tahoe on Sunday and Monday, June 5-6, 2005. It has not yet been determined if the third day will be on the Saturday before or the Tuesday after. For detailed and updated information see the website: <http://www.coasports.org/ccada>. The meeting this morning also included voting on the legislation. The CCCADA also discussed the need for more clarification of the baseball disqualification form. Athletic directors feel all conference commissioners need to interpret the new form in a unified manner. The athletic directors will be discussing in-state recruiting and non-traditional season competition at its next meeting.

2. 3C4A

Evans Roderick informed the membership that, while it did not hold a business meeting at this COA fall meeting, its executive board is in attendance. The 3C4A representative's term on the Management Council will expire this year and a new appointment will be made. 3C4A will be meeting November 3-5, 2004, at UC Berkley with its four-year counterparts, at which time they will discuss.

3. CCCSCA

Pat Doyle reported on the CCCSCA meeting and noted that two representatives' terms on the Management Council will be expiring. They also discussed the Combined Affiliates meeting that met in early October, as well as nontraditional season competition, and the need for legislation to be sport specific. He also stressed the importance of committee meeting attendance for people submitting legislation.

F. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Site Selection Committee

Susan Yates reviewed highlights of the Site Selection Committee report she distributed and noted that upcoming meetings are scheduled for December 15, 2004, and March 7, 2005. The Committee's final report will be available at the 2005 COA convention. She briefly described the two concepts the Committee is looking at. The first is a sports festival concept that will bundle the fall sports together to allow for bigger and better championships. The second is a revenue-sharing plan that will provide some of the shared revenue to the host college and some to increase participating team reimbursements. She indicated that Form 5s would be required to put in place the various changes these concepts would initiate. The Form 5s will be submitted for the spring 2005 legislation review. Associate Commissioner Stu Van Horn noted that the Committee was unanimously in favor of the festival concept.

2. Postconference Competition Review Committee

Ann Heck reported that the Postconference Competition Review Committee is now in the last phase of its responsibility, and is now focusing on championship formats. The Committee met twice since the last Management Council meeting, and reviewed formats of every sport, identifying concerns.

The Committee agreed that it needs to work with the tennis group regarding the development of Form 5 legislation to change the Tennis Guide to reflect dual team championships to be held at the site of the higher seeded team rather than a neutral site.

It also agreed to bring forward legislation in the spring, which would limit all postconference competition events to a maximum of three consecutive days of competition. A maximum of two-of-those-three days would be scheduled on Monday through Friday, in order to minimize academic interruption.

The Committee also reviewed financial reports for all sports and noted the areas of concern as being: sports that a) must charge entry fees, b) have high event administration costs, c) or have low reimbursements.

3. Sport Coaches Association Relations Committee

Steve Ward distributed the Sport Coaches Association Relations Committee's report and reviewed highlights such as the Committee's charge and the process by which the information was compiled. The results indicate that better communication will alleviate most of the concerns and eliminate the mistrust that some members still feel. Management Council Chair Keever stressed the

importance of Management Council sport representatives sharing information with the coaches of their respective sports.

4. Form G Committee

Management Council Chair Kever reported that the Form G Committee has been reactivated at the request of the conference commissioners. Clar Appledoorn reported that five sports still require a Form G and the commissioners would like to have it uniform for all sports. The Committee will be charged with the responsibility of bringing this matter up to date. This Committee will consist of one representative from each of the sports (tennis, soccer, wrestling, basketball, and volleyball), a conference commissioner from the north and one from the south, each of the five sports' COA representatives, plus each sports association's president. There will be two co-chairs, Clar Appledoorn and Dean Crowley, conference commissioners representing the north and the south. The Committee will develop legislation to be heard with the spring legislation.

G. LEGISLATION

Management Council reviewed and voted on proposed legislation submitted for fall 2004.

Recommendations were made to the Board concerning Constitution Article/Bylaw Policy Items 1-7. A report of the decisions made with regard to Bylaw Operational/Sport Guide Items C1 through C21 was forwarded to the Board.

The final result of this legislation is recorded in the October 13, 2004, meeting minutes of the COA Board and may be viewed at:
http://www.coasports.org/meetings/board_mins101304.pdf.

H. OUT-OF-SEASON COMPETITION

Tony Lipold reviewed a draft of proposed legislation which leaves the responsibility with the sport coaches associations to determine if they wanted to be involved in a nontraditional season of competition. The Committee met via teleconference after the legislation was tabled at the last session and discussed the draft which was distributed at this meeting. Questions that still need to be answered pertain to liability, real costs, gender equity, and personnel issues. He also reported that the Out-of-Season Committee would meet after the Board meeting.

I. OTHER

None.

J. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Management Council, the meeting was adjourned at 5:25PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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State Commissioner