

USTFCCCA

Minutes of the Division I Track & Field Coaches General Sessions

Orlando, FL

December 14-17, 2009

- I. Division I General Meeting - December 15, 2009
  - a. BAS opened meeting. Welcomed. Explained agenda. Explained status of 2008 minutes.
  - b. Holly Sheilley and Liz Suscha presented 2010 Outdoor Technical Manual.
  - c. Dave Stelnik of Direct Athletics gave presentation and general overview of the new Track & Field Results Reporting System- TFRRS.
  - d. Committee Reports Given by Chairs.
    - i. Awards- Dennis Shaver. Review of current award structure, change of the term “regional” and reported results of the vote of executive committee on All-American status, resulting in no change to our current structure.
    - ii. ByLaws- Ron Mann. Copies were sent out to body. Approved unanimously by executive committee. Bylaws were cleaned up and now in line with new USTFCCCA.
    - iii. Ethics- Ralph Lindeman. Copies were sent out. Ralph added changes in the 2<sup>nd</sup> section regarding statute of limitations to make document complete. Any feedback can be given to conference reps. Unanimous support by executive committee.
    - iv. Strategic Planning- Mark Young. Copies were sent out. He added statement of support to protect coaches and support programs.
  - e. BAS emphasized purpose of conference representatives and process to get all voices heard.
  - f. Conference Breakout Sessions commenced.
- II. Division I General Meeting - December 16, 2009
  - a. BAS called meeting to order.
  - b. Sam Seemes introduced Balfour Representative to present National Championship Rings to 2008/2009 winning programs and their staff.
  - c. Mike Reilly gave quick presentation on NCAA outdoor championships. Emphasis was placed on getting your tickets early before released to public on January 22.
  - d. BAS presented the agenda.
  - e. NEW BUSINESS
    - i. Separation of genders at outdoor championships. Tabled by executive committee.
    - ii. Inclement weather committee formed.
    - iii. Calls to PSA’s in southern hemisphere- FAILED.
    - iv. Allow coaches to vote if not in attendance at convention. Would require a bylaw change. Executive committee passed motion to approved letter to be sent to institutions in support of sending coaches to convention at institution cost.

- v. Addition of 3k/DMR at outdoor championships- FAILED.
- vi. Invitation to hold Coaches Advisory Committee meetings in conjunction with USTFCCCA convention. Ralph Lindeman spoke to body about the restructuring of the Coaches Advisory Committee and that his goal is to bridge that gap between USATF and the USTFCCCA in selection of international staffs.
- vii. Allowance of athletic administrators into coach's hospitality – full support.
- viii. NCAA legislation to allow volunteer coaches to call – in motion.
- ix. Support removal of our sport in allowance of professional involvement for one year.
- x. SEC recruiting calendar proposal. Discussion ensued.
- xi. Indexing of indoor tracks.
- xii. Use of curbing.
- xiii. Permanent Site/Rotating Site
- xiv. Setting common increments for vertical jumps. Dennis Mitchell made motion. Ralph Lindeman second. Discussion ensued. Ties concern that it will skew numbers to NCAA's.
- xv. Use of video.
- xvi. Use of officials / umpires to watch for lane violations.
- f. NCAA Outdoor Technical Manual for 2010 (Holly Sheilley & Liz Suscha) question and answer session.
  - i. Tie breaking procedure will be revised.
  - ii. No preferences taken can cause problems for an athlete who is 50<sup>th</sup> place in both 5k/10k. Preferences will be revisited.
  - iii. These 2 sticking points will be looked at by NCAA.
- g. BAS introduced the letter sent to her and USTFCCCA from the NCAA cabinet with charge to come up with a new format for qualifying to our outdoor championships. She reviewed the 3 directives: 1. Access to championships; 2. Cost containment; 3. Deference to obvious qualifiers. BAS reviewed reporting timelines. Holly Sheilley presented the 5 models as consideration and BAS explained it will be posted on website. Discussion ensued. Kathleen Raske recommended to put task in hands of the executive committee with straw votes being taken from body on narrowing down final proposals recommended to NCAA Committee.
- h. Kim McGreevy made MOTION: To charge the Division I Track & Field Executive Committee of the USTFCCCA, in conjunction with the NCAA Division I Track & Field Sport Subcommittee, with accepting proposals and collecting feedback from the membership to produce a result of a, viable model for our 2011 Outdoor Track & Field Championships. Tina Fernandez second.
- i. Holly gave housekeeping items.

### III. Division I General Meeting / Voting Session – December 17, 2010

- a. BAS called meeting to order. Shannon Wright explained the voting procedures. Membership Vote: One vote per member coach. Unit Vote:

One vote per member program. Men's and women's programs have one vote each. Combined programs have two votes each.

- b. MOTION: To accept the Bylaws revisions as presented. (Membership Vote; Accept-Reject-Abstain) RESULT= 192-2-4 PASSED.
- c. MOTION: To accept Code of Ethics as presented. (Membership Vote) RESULT= 206-7-5 PASSED.
- d. MOTION: To accept the Strategic Plan as presented. (Membership Vote) RESULT= 196-6-12 PASSED.
- e. MOTION from SEC to return to previous signing dates. (Unit Vote) For return to previous signing dates. Against return to previous signing dates. Abstain. RESULTS= 75-179-1 FAILED.
- f. MOTION: To set common bar increments in the vertical jumps to arrive at the 14<sup>th</sup> best mark on descending order list for all final qualifying meets. RESULTS= 158-80-11.
- g. MOTION: To charge the Division I Track & Field Executive Committee of the USTFCCCA, in conjunction with the NCAA Division I Track & Field Sport Subcommittee, with accepting proposals and collecting feedback from the membership to produce a result of a working, viable model for our 2011 Outdoor Track & Field Championships. (Unit Vote) RESULTS= 229-5-1 PASSED.
- h. BAS explained the timeline for proposals. Proposal Process
- i. Submit all proposals by January 6th to Beth Alford-Sullivan at [bxal10@psu.edu](mailto:bxal10@psu.edu). Proposals should reflect criteria requested: Access to championships. Cost containment. Deference to obvious qualifiers. From January 6 through January 13, all proposals reviewed by Executive Committee. All viable models will be sent to the body for straw vote on January 20. Voting will be open until January 25<sup>th</sup>. Results will be reported to the NCAA Track & Field Committee on January 27<sup>th</sup>.
- j. Dennis Mitchell MOTION: To survey the student-athlete's on what they would favor for both the qualifying and championship experience. Gary Wilson second. VOTE RESULTS= 59-147-7 FAILED.
- k. BAS gave closing remarks and meeting was adjourned.