

USTFCCCA
Minutes of the Division I Track & Field Coaches
General Sessions
San Antonio, TX
December 13-16, 2010

- I. **Division I General Meeting #1- December 14, 2010**
 - a. BAS opened meeting. Welcomed. Explained agenda.
 - b. Kathleen Raske asked for a motion to accept the 2009 minutes as posted on website. Motion to accept by John McNichols, seconded by Curt Kraft. VOTE: APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.
 - c. BAS introduced Conference Representatives and commented on Rep's roles on the committee.
 - d. Committee Reports Given by Chairs.
 - i. Awards- Dennis Shaver. See Slides.
 - ii. Nominations and Election committee- no report.
 - e. Old Business
 - i. BAS reviewed Outdoor Championships, the directive given us last year, the process and where we're at today. BAS gave a complete summary of the process of creating a new plan for the Outdoor National Championships up to this point. The 24/8 plan was not accepted by the Championships/Sports Cabinet. Therefore BAS created a new committee: Outdoor National Championships Working Group. This group met with members of the NCAA DI T&F committee and Conference Commissioners. This group is more of a working group which is to collaborate and keep everyone at the same table talking. Ed Nuttycombe was asked to chair the committee. He gave his REPORT: Response of conference commissioners is that every other sport is working on increasing participation numbers and T&F is or has reduced their numbers and they didn't feel this was good for the sport within the 24/8 plan submitted. They felt that the #1 issue was accessibility and that the 24/8 plan is not accessible. The cost containment issue wasn't as much of their concern. Concern is representation from smaller conferences. Their words were: "need for continuity; refinement of the meet; representation from all conferences; student-athlete experience a concern; growth of the sport a concern; we should push funding for the first round".
 - ii. Signing Dates to return to previous dates was defeated and we are to stay in line with current signing dates.
 - iii. Final qualifying meets proposal to set common bar increments in the vertical jumps to arrive at the 14th best mark on the descending order list. Action: Committee established a deadline for the submission of progressions.
 - iv. Indoor Track altitude indexing is now consistent across all Divisions. New formula used per performance for altitude and now standardized. However, the study of indexing for different track sizes is still a work in progress.

- v. Grandfather request for facilities with lanes in excess of 50m radius: Denied by NCAA T&F Committee.
 - vi. Weather related issues at competition site will fall in the hands of the working T&F committee group as coming up with guidelines would be too difficult.
 - vii. Discussion of changing the Indoor Championship sprint schedule was tabled.
 - viii. Our Strategic Plan is on website and will continue to be a driving force for framework of decisions, plans and progress towards goals.
 - ix. Code of Ethics is on the XC agenda to pass and then a committee will be appointed after it is passed.
 - x. Capital One Cup was unanimously opposed nationally by the Student Athletic Advisory Board and sent that message to NCAA.
- f. New Business
- i. Proposal: For the bid process for NCAA Prelim round of Outdoor Championships to include host school require local hotels to block off rooms.
 - ii. Proposal: To conduct separate days of preliminary rounds in the field events to determine the final 12 as we had in previous years, going from 24 to 12 at final site with 3 attempt day 1 and 6 attempts day 2.
 - iii. Proposal: To allow music to be played at National Championships between events.
 - iv. NCAA 2010-30 regarding telephone calls earlier to PSAs.
 - v. NCAA 2010-45 regarding tryout exception.
 - vi. NCAA 2010-46 regarding tryout exception on campus.
 - vii. NCAA implementation of recruiting person days or evaluation days. Tabled for further discussion to determine # days.
 - viii. NCAA said we could no longer give coaches awards during championship student-athlete banquet. Motion by Ron Mann to maintain giving coaches awards at banquet in some way acceptable.
 - ix. NCAA rules change process. Motion by Dean Hayes to keep committee in loop.
- g. Committee on Rankings - Steve Rainbolt gave report.
- h. Motion to adjourn. Meeting ends.

II. Division I General Meeting #2 - December 15, 2010

- a. BAS called meeting to order.
- b. Guest John Pfeffenberger of the NCAA Eligibility Center gave general presentation.
- c. Indoor NCAA Championship host Texas A&M gave presentation.
- d. Outdoor NCAA Prelim Site hosts gave presentations- Indiana-East/Oregon-West.
- e. Outdoor NCAA Final Site host Drake University gave presentation.
- f. Ralph Lindeman, Chair of Coaches Advisory Committee of USATF gave report.
- g. USTFCCCA Hall of Fame committee- Elvis Forde gave report.
- h. New Business

- i. Motion: To seek \$200,000 from NCAA for host institutions of the Preliminary round sites. Ed Nuttycombe/Seconded.
- ii. Motion: Seek NCAA funding for all participants to the first round of the NCAA Outdoor Championships. Dave Nielsen/Seconded.
- iii. Recommendation of implementation of recruiting person days for Division I Cross Country/Track & Field to be 200 per gender, however, the preference is to stay with current system.
- iv. Motion: To recognize top 8 as All-Americans regardless of U.S. citizenship indoor and outdoor; and to create an Honorable Mention All-American award to the final 16 outside the top 8 at the Outdoor Championships. Discussion/comments from the floor ensued. Friendly amendment accepted from Curtis Frye to move to a 3 tier system for outdoor of 8-8-8 with first team, 2nd team All-Americans and then honorable mention All-Americans. Ben Paxton/Seconded.
- v. Motion: Recognize all NCAA indoor Championships participants outside of the top 8 as Honorable Mention All-Americans. Friendly amendment accepted to move to an 8-8-+ for first team, second team, and the remainder of the finishers be honorable mention All-Americans. Dennis Shaver/Seconded.
- vi. Motion: To pursue NCAA to recognize student-athletes who qualify to compete at the preliminary round of the outdoor championships with an NCAA participation award. Ben Paxton/Seconded.
- vii. Motion: To include language in bid process for the NCAA preliminary round host schools to work with local hotels to block off rooms. Barry Harwick/Seconded.
- viii. Nominations & Elections committee is working on developing a slate for the positions of president, first vice president, second vice president, and Div. I at-large representative to the board of directors.
- i. New Business from floor
 - i. Gary Wilson motion: to remove the 10,000m from the first round of the outdoor championships and qualify 24 from the final season descending order list to the final round. Dave Smith seconded.
 - ii. Gary Wilson asked on the follow up regarding the addition of assistant coaches for our sport. It didn't get conference sponsorship. He felt that the committee should have followed up on this. Motion: To charge the Division I Track & Field Committee with the task of garnering conference support for legislative action passed by the Division I T&F body. Seconded by Matt (Long Beach State).
 - iii. Steve Rainbolt noted that the indexing and conversions aren't applied to the multi events indoor for qualifying purposes. Motion: To pursue immediate rule change to apply all indexing and conversions for all events of the multi-events for qualifying purposes. Seconded by Ed Nuttycombe.
 - iv. James Thomas Motion: To conduct simultaneous flights of the long jump, triple jump, shot put of the same gender at the final site of the championships, if facility allows. Seconded by Dan Steele.
 - v. Motion to adjourn. Meeting ends.

III. Division I General Meeting #3 / Voting Session – December 16, 2010

- a. BAS called meeting to order. She thanked the executive committee for all their work as well as Sam Seemes and Shannon Wright as she is the outgoing president.
- b. 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.
- c. Membership Votes-
 - i. Slate of Officers: President- Ron Mann, Louisville. First V.P. - Dennis Shaver, LSU. Second V.P. - Connie Price-Smith, Southern Illinois. VOTE: PASSED unanimous.
 - ii. At-Large Representative to the USTFCCCA Board of Directors: Beth Alford-Sullivan. VOTE: PASSED unanimous.
 - iii. For part of the bid process for the NCAA preliminary round of the outdoor championships to include having the host school work with local hotels to block off rooms. VOTE: 222-2-1 PASSED.
 - iv. To recommend defeat of NCAA Legislative Proposal 2010-30 (telephone call to juniors). VOTE: 227-26-1 PASSED.
 - v. To recommend defeat of NCAA Legislative Proposal 2010-45 (recognized training and development programs). VOTE: 184-27-12 PASSED.
 - vi. To recommend adoption of NCAA Legislative Proposal 2010-46 (tryout exception for high school contests). VOTE: 211-12-1 PASSED.
 - vii. To seek \$200,000 from NCAA for host institutions of the Outdoor Preliminary Round sites. VOTE: 237-4-3 PASSED.
 - viii. Seek NCAA funding for all participants to the first round of the NCAA Outdoor Championship. VOTE: 245-0-2 PASSED.
 - ix. To pursue NCAA to recognize student-athletes who qualify to compete at the Preliminary Round of the Outdoor Championships with an NCAA participation award. VOTE: 215-14-2 PASSED.
 - x. To charge the Division I T&F Executive Committee with the task of garnering conference support for legislative action passed by the Division I T&F body. VOTE: 207-3-1 PASSED.
 - xi. To pursue immediate rule change to apply all indexing and conversions for all events of the multi-events for qualifying purposes for Indoor Championships. VOTE: 209-18-4 PASSED.
 - xii. To have separate days of preliminary rounds in the field events to determine the final 12 at the final site of the outdoor championships. VOTE: 198-36-6. PASSED.
 - xiii. To conduct simultaneous flights of the long jump, triple jump, shot put of same gender at the final site of the outdoor championships if facility allows. VOTE: 174-45-4 PASSED.
 - xiv. To remove the 10,000m from the first round of the outdoor championships and qualify 24 from the final season descending order list to the final round of the championships. VOTE: 20-211-2 FAILED.

- xv. To recognize places 9-16 as Second Team All-America and places 17-24 as Honorable Mention All-America at the Outdoor Championships. VOTE: 141-79-4 PASSED.
- xvi. To recognize places 9-16 as Second Team All-America and remainder of placers as Honorable Mention All-America at the Indoor Championships. VOTE: 133-70-5 PASSED.
- xvii. To recognize top 8 places as All-Americans regardless of U.S. citizenship for Indoor and Outdoor Championships. VOTE: 174-33-2 PASSED.
- d. Unit Votes-
 - i. Recommendation on implementation of recruiting-person days for Division I Cross Country/Track & Field (consistent with Div. I XC) to remain status quo. If that's not an option, recommend recruiting-person days over evaluation days, and recommend 200 recruiting-person days per gender. VOTE: 145-11-0 PASSED.

Submitted by: Kathleen Raske, Secretary USTFCCCA