#### **Division II Track & Field Coaches**

#### **Executive Committee Minutes**

**Convention 2016** 

Orlando, Florida

Day 1 – 12/13/16

Roll: Kevin LaSure, Dana Schwarting, Lorne Marcus, Greg Schmidt, Mike Barnett, Zach Emerson, Jeff Bolender, Scott Byrd, Bob DeVries, Tom Dibbern, Bryan Hagopian, Troy Johnson, Michelle Latimer, Tim Servis, Mason Rebarchek.

# **2015 Convention Minutes Approval**

Motion Troy Johnson

Second Zach Emerson

12-0 Approval

# **USTFCCCA Board of Directors Report**

Dana Schwarting and Kevin LaSure spoke about correction on how things get submitted through the committees and for voting on rules. Also talked about the term limits of the presidents being increased to 3 years ending at the convention.

# **Old Business Discussion**

Outdoor Sport Sponsorship – Would need sponsors for legislation, initial feedback from NCAA was negative regarding how this would affect perception of sport (asked for conference to try and sponsor legislation)

Cross Country/Track & Field Scholarships – Need two conference sponsors for legislation (breaking up the scholarships for XC and Track being separate).

Last Chance Meet Certification – Sport Committee did not accept recommendation

Coaches Association Awards at NCAA Championships – Not accepted, Sport Committee did not support

Amend Rule 17.23.8 – Need two conference sponsors for legislation

Structure of an NCAA Track Meet: Accepted in part by the Rules Committee, significant portions not accepted

## **New Proposal Submission Process**

Proposals submitted online throughout the year, Coaches present proposals to the appropriate Executive Committee, Executive Committee discusses & takes action on the proposal, If action is required prior to Convention, Executive Committee action stands

Otherwise, Executive Committee action is presented at Convention

## **Submitted Proposals**

# Division II National Championship Regional Qualifying Procedure (Ryan Dall)

Proposal for a Regional Qualification System for NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships

Time limit for discussion:

Discussion on the merits of a regional qualification system on cost, fairness, and is this the best system. **Motion**-Greg Schmidt to table to next year for more discussion **Second** Bryan Hagopian

#### **Motion for Executive Committee Action:**

Tabled to next convention

## **Top Regional Performer Award (Lorne Marcus)**

To award the number 1 person in each region in each individual event and relay event a top Regional Performer Award for the indoor and outdoor seasons. The number 1 person/relay in each region would get a certificate from the USTFCCCA for indoor/outdoor if this proposal is accepted. This would be only for events that are contested at the NCAA Championships. We would award these individuals/relays after the last USTFCCCA regional individual rankings list of each season (indoor/outdoor).

Awards Committee feedback: In favor

Motion for Executive Committee Action:
-Motion to move forward-Steven Blocker
Second- Zack Emerson
12-0 Vote Unanimous

Approved during the Voting Session (115-44-0)

Eliminate the Automatic and Provisional Qualifying Standards for the Indoor and Outdoor NCAA Championships. (Mason Rebarchek)

Motion for Executive Committee Action: Motion to Reject Mike Barnett Second to Reject Troy Johnson 11-4-1 Rejected

Motion to put on the slate for voting at the general session, Second to the motion Voting to put on slate by the coaches at general session Defeated during Track & Field General Session

Naming All-Academic Awardees (Mason Rebarchek)

Change the criteria for naming USTFCCCA Individual All-Academic Awards so that they include an honor-roll ranking instead of the provisional standard. In addition to the current 3.25 grade point average that is required, we would use a top 50 mark on the Division 2 honor roll to determine the award recipients.

Motion for Executive Committee Action:

Motion to Reject Troy Johnson

Second Greg Schmidt

14-0

Motion made in General session to move forward. Second to the motion
Put on slate for General Vote
Rejected during the Voting Session (72-73-14).

#### NCAA Championships Director Roberta Page and Chris Brown

Roberta Page spoke about the process of how rules come in place. She spoke about all the different committees and how something from the USTFCCCA convention goes up to the NCAA.

Chris Brown came in and spoke about AMA and interpretation of rules.

James Reid came in and spoke about the coaches connection and how coaches connection does not replace the USTFCCCA Coaches committee but it is another resource to help understand rules.

Committee Reports:

Dana Schwarting- Meet enhancement committee said that they gave out meet enhancement money to different regions. They received 19 applications and gave out 5 awards.

Kevin LaSure- Hall of Fame Committee- They are looking for more nominations for people so reach out to your regions to see if there are any other nominations.

Zack Emerson- Coaches Scholarship Committee-

Lorne Marcus-Law and Legislation- we went over the bylaws and combined all the language into one set of bylaws.

# Day 2 - 12/14/16

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# NCAA Sports Committee Morgan DeSpain (NCAA Rep) and Preston Gray (Chairperson of Committee)

The discussion of what the sports committee role in rules in the sport. We also discussed rule 4 and how that rule came up through the system. Noting that the rule originated from the USTFCCCA in 2008. We talked about the breakdown on the Sports committee about who is on it between coaches and administrators.

Discussion on Automatic times and Provisional Times was asked by Bob DeVries. It was made clear that if someone hits an automatic time in an event that they would go to the national championships. Brought because the body was asking the question about if there is a need for a provisional and automatic time for nationals in regards to Mason's proposal.

# **New Proposal on Signing Period**

## **Executive Council was bringing forward this proposal:**

Division II Executive Council will propose to have the same language as Division I in regards to its NLI proposal which currently states as follows: NLI Period will now be from November 9, 2016-July 31,2017. Open NLI signing in November (current early signing date) and leave open until July 31

#### **Regional Breakout**

Executive Committee wanted everyone to speak about the proposals in each of the breakout sessions and try to get a sense of where each region is feeling on the proposals.

## **General Session Track Notes**

No real opposition to the Top Regional Award Proposal. Regional Proposal was not talked about because it was tabled. Mason's 1<sup>st</sup> proposal was defeated on the floor by a vote to eliminate the Automatic and Provisional time elimination. All Academic proposal by Mason was brought forth to the body for voting.

# Day 3 – 12/15/16

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Discussed what happened in General Session with the proposals. No new information came out of this session.

Discussion of changing on how we give awards out from the USTFCCCA. It was brought up that if we are allocated a certain amount of awards, some members feel that these awards all should be given out but only to USTFCCCA member institution. We currently will take award away if a person or team is not a member, and it will not be given out. Some members wish to give it to the next person on the list because it is a coaches association award not an NCAA Award.