USTFCCCA Division III
Voting Session, Friday, December 18, 2015

Call to Order at 9:45AM

Item 1 – Paralympic Track & Field, Cathy Sellers
Cathy.Sellers@usoc.org
Athletics for people with physical disabilities
Contact Cathy with any potential athletes / coaches.

General Items

Item 2 – Motion: To approve the 2016 Hall of Fame Class:
Men: Jan Cado, North Central College, Jumps; Andrew Rock, Wisconsin Lacrosse, Sprints / Relays
Women: Missy Buttry Rock, Wartburg College, Distance; Kristy Laramee Kerin, Middlebury College, Jumps
Membership Vote – Motion Passes – 155 Accept / 0 Reject / 1 Abstain

Cross Country

Item 3 – Vote: 2nd Vice President of DIII Cross Country
Matthew Barreau, Christopher Newport
Danielle Novara, SUNY Brockport
Matthew Barreau is elected.

Item 4 – Motion: That All-Academic Teams for Cross Country be based on either NCAA Regional place or NCAA National place: top 25% of the NCAA regional meet or finishing in the top 50% at the National meet as the athletic component to the award. Bobby Van Allen, Johns Hopkins
Unit Vote – Motion Passes – 140 Accept / 4 Reject / 5 Abstain

Item 5 – Motion: That plaques be awarded to both automatic qualifying teams from each NCAA Division III Cross Country regional championship meet. Mike Trunkes, SUNY New Paltz
Membership Vote – Motion Passes – 128 Accept / 10 Reject / 5 Abstain

Item 6 – Motion: That the NCAA allow the USTFCCCA awards to be distributed concurrently with NCAA awards at the NCAA Division III Cross Country National Championship meet. Dustin Dimit, Rowan University
Membership Vote – Motion Passes – 135 Accept / 4 Reject / 7 Abstain

Item 7 – Motion: A member institution shall not commence Cross Country practice before the date that permits a maximum of 16 units in the preseason practice formula (See NCAA Bylaw 17.02.11), before the first permissible date of intercollegiate competition. Matt Schauf, UW Stout
Unit Vote – Motion Passes – 135 Accept / 23 Reject / 16 Abstain
Item 8 – Motion: That there be a 1 hour time gap between Men’s and Women’s Races at the National Cross Country Championship as opposed to the current 1.5 hour time gap between races. Dan Schwamberger, UW Eau Claire
Unit Vote – Motion Passes – Accept 116 / 44 Reject / 14 Abstain

Item 9 – Motion: At the National Cross Country Championship the furthest recall should be at that point in the course where the runners reach the tangent prior to the first turn, but never beyond 400 meters into the race. There would need to be two recall officials in elevated positions that would provide optimal vision of the field on either side of the course within 100 meters of that point of tangent to make the call and two more officials at 500 meters to stop all runners should there be a recall. If such a recall should occur, the athletes will be allowed to walk back to the start with the restart to occur no more than 10 minutes after the recall. There will only be one recall beyond 100 meters allowed. Halston Taylor, MIT
Unit Vote – Motion Passes – 87 Accept / 72 Reject / 16 Abstain

Item 10 – Motion: Take the current protest rules from the Track & Field portion of the rule book and put it into the cross country section of the rule book with the elimination of the reference to the multi-events. Matthew Barreau, Christopher Newport University
Unit Vote – Motion Passes – 119 Accept / 29 Reject / 32 Abstain

Item 11 – Motion: Move Division III Regional Cross Country Championships to 1 week earlier. George Suitor, Trinity College (CT)
Unit Vote – Motion Fails – 49 Accept / 117 Reject / 10 Abstain

Track & Field

Item 12 – Voting: 2nd Vice President of DIII Track & Field
Kenneth Cox, Birmingham Southern
Kirk Nauman, St Scholastica
Colin Tory, RPI

Kenneth Cox is elected

Item 13 – Motion: Structure of an NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Competition Membership – Motion Fails – 50 Accept / 87 Reject / 17 Abstain

Item 14 – Motion: Amend the structure of a NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Competition so the decathlon / heptathlon will also be considered as a track & field meet for qualifications for the NCAAs.
Membership – Motion Passes – 106 Accept / 32 Reject / 14 Abstain

Item 15 – Motion: Top 5 Individuals in each track & field event, and the members of the top three relay teams, only 1 team per institution will receive “All-Region” distinction. The regions used for this award match those used during the cross country season, and student-athletes must
come from USTFCCCA member institutions. Lists will be finalized prior to the National Championships.

Membership – Motion Passes – 130 Accept / 13 Reject / 8 Abstain

Item 16 – Motion: Change the athletic criteria for the NCAA Division III student-athletes to qualify for individual USTFCCCA All-Academic honors in Track & Field, while keeping the academic criteria the same (3.30 cumulative GPA):

Must meet one of the following athletic criteria:

Finished the season among the top 50 individuals as listed on the descending order lists on TFRRS. (any athletes not among the top 50, but who participated at the Indoor or Outdoor National Championships, are eligible)

Must have competed as a member of one of the top 35 relay teams as listed on the descending order list of TFRRS. (any athletes not among the top 35 relay teams, but who participated in the relay at the Indoor or Outdoor National Championships, are eligible. Finally, any relay team members on an expanded descending list to include 35 institutions (1 relay team per institutions) are eligible.

Membership – Motion Passes – 138 Accept / 9 Reject / 5 Abstain

Item 17 – Motion: The Executive Committee proposes that Live results MUST be published and if a Final Qualifying Meet is cancelled then that is published as well.

Membership – Motion Passes – 127 Accept / 17 Reject / 4 Abstain

Item 18 – Accusplit Awards for Relays

Awards will be mailed to each program.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:40AM