USTFCCCA
Minutes of the Division I Track & Field Coaches
General Sessions
San Antonio, TX
December 11-15, 2011

I. Division I General Meeting #1- December 13, 2011

- a. WELCOME- Ron Mann welcomed and gave recognition award to Beth Alford-Sullivan as past president.
- b. NCAA ELIGIBILITY CENTER- John Pfeffenberger from the NCAA Eligibility Center gave announcements on EC and the new academic requirements for incoming class Fall 2015.
- c. NCAA ENFORCEMENT- Joyce Thompson/Mike Zonder from the NCAA enforcement staff reported on their office and roles.
- d. INTRODUCTIONS- Ron Mann introduced Conference Representatives and commented on Rep's roles on the committee.
- e. MINUTES- Kathleen Raske asked for a motion to accept the 2010 minutes as posted on website. Motion to accept by David Shoehalter, seconded by Dave Nielsen. VOTE: APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY by voice vote.
- f. COMMITTEE REPORTS given by Chairs.
 - i. Awards- Connie Price-Smith. Expand All-Academic outdoor recognition for combined events to mirror indoor criteria and expand to top 48 each region.
 - ii. Law & Legislation- Dennis Shaver. Rename and recharge a standing committee to Championship Advisory Committee.
- g. OLD BUSINESS- Ron Mann reviewed old business and actions taken.
 - i. Host schools to work to block off rooms for preliminary sites- reported to NCAA Div. I Track & Field Committee.
 - ii. To oppose NCAA 2010-30 (telephone calls to juniors) Defeated by NCAA Div. I Board of Directors.
 - iii. To oppose 2010-45 (training and development programs) Adopted with revision that eliminated the restriction that funding for recognized training and development programs has to come from NGBs.
 - iv. To recommend adoption of NCAA 2010-46 (tryout exception hs) Adopted by NCAA Div. I Legislative Council.
 - v. To seek \$200,000 from NCAA for host institutions of outdoor preliminary round sites- Not supported by NCAA Div. I T&F Subcommittee. Executive Committee unanimously supports a strong resubmit of this item.
 - vi. To seek NCAA funding for all participants to the first round of the NCAA outdoor championship- Not supported by NCAA Div. I T&F Subcommittee. Championships/Sports Management Cabinet has requested that NCAA national office provide data in regards to funding preliminary rounds. Executive committee unanimously supports a strong resubmit of this item.

- vii. To pursue NCAA to recognize student-athletes who qualify and compete in the preliminary round of the outdoor NCAA championships with a participation award. Supported by NCAA Div. I T&F Subcommittee. Rejected by the NCAA Div. I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet.
- viii. To charge the USTFCCCA Div. I T&F Executive Committee with the task of garnering conference support for legislative action passed by the Div. I T&F body. Adopted.
- ix. To pursue immediate rule change to apply all current conversions for all event of the multi-events for qualifying purposes for Indoor championships.- A current study is ongoing regarding indexing and will continue to follow through as it moves forward.
- x. To have separate days of preliminary rounds in the field events to determine the final 12 at the final site of the outdoor championships. NCAA Championships/Sports Cabinet has informed us that they will not consider any changes to the meet format at this time.
- xi. To conduct simultaneous flights of the LJ, TJ, SP of same gender at the final site of the outdoor championships if facility allows. Will be reported to the NCAA Div. I T&F Subcommittee this summer. 2013 will be the first opportunity to have the championships at a facility where this could take place. No further action needed at this time.
- xii. All-America Recognition. Enacted.
- xiii.NCAA recruiting procedures- implement of recruiting person days. Reported to NCAA Div. I Recruiting and Athletics Personnel Issues Cabinet. No action taken by RAPIC.
- xiv. To measure spike length from sole of the shoe, rather than length of the spike-Submitted to NCAA T&F Subcommittee, they have sponsored a playing rule proposal to address issue.
- xv. Indoor fixed event field size/championships field size increase- Supported by NCAA Div. I T&F Subcommittee, will be presented at Championships/Sports Management Cabinet's February meeting.
- xvi. Require schools to meet minimum contest/participation requirements to compete in the Indoor or Outdoor championships- Supported by NCAA Div. I T&F Subcommittee, Championships/Sports Management Cabinet will sponsor legislative proposal in 2012/2013.
- xvii. Division I T&F dual meet team power rankings. supported by the Executive Committee.
- h. NEW PROCESS FOR PROPOSALS Shannon Wright reviewed the new procedures for submitting new proposals and time sensitivity.
- i. NEW BUSINESS Ron Mann / proposals submitted
 - i. TIME SENSITIVE
 - 1. Proposal to bring back early signing period (Wes Kittley, 2nd). Supported unanimously by Executive Committee.
 - 2. Proposal to substitute the mile for the 1500m outdoor track and field-(Pat Henry, 2nd). Rejected by the Executive Committee 2-28-3.
 - 3. Proposal to eliminate uniform rule 4 section 3 (Pat Henry, 2nd). Rejected unanimously by Executive Committee.
 - 4. Proposal regarding preliminary round host institution's coaches being held to the same criteria as all visiting coaches regarding access to facility during

- competition (John Gondak, 2nd). Supported unanimously by the Executive Committee.
- 5. Proposal to amend rule book to include information on conducting regular season scoring meets (Mark Young, 2nd). Supported unanimously by the Executive Committee.
- 6. NCAA proposed legislation 2011-30, no limit on phone calls or electronic correspondence after first permissible date which is June 15 of PSA's sophomore year. Rejected unanimously by Executive Committee.
- 7. NCAA proposed legislation 2011-31, no limits on phone calls after first permissible date July 1 of PSA's junior year. Supported by the Executive Committee 33-1-0.
- 8. NCAA proposed legislation 2011-44, submission of all transcripts to EC through his or her 6th semester of enrollment before being allowed to sign. Rejected unanimously by Executive Committee.
- 9. NCAA proposed legislation 2011-74, summer financial aid- to eliminate proportionality restriction for those who have exhausted eligibility. Supported unanimously by the Executive Committee.
- ii. NOT TIME SENSITIVE may be voted on at 2012 USTFCCCA Convention
 - 1. Proposal to amend the track & field indoor/outdoor playing and practice season as follows: (a) to establish the first Monday of October as the first permissible practice date for in-season activities; (b) to define the length of an institution's playing season in indoor and outdoor track and field to the period of time between the start of the preseason practice and the end of the regular playing season. (Jack Warner, 2nd). Supported by Executive Committee, 32-1-1.
 - 2. Proposal to require all majority votes by the Div. I coaching body to be taken forward and supported in their entirety by the association presidents, Executive Committee, and/or the CEO of USTFCCCA. If any wording is to be changed or any intent of the vote is changed it must be taken back to the coaching body for approval (Gary Wilson, 2nd). Supported by Executive Committee, 29-0-6.
 - 3. Proposal that all correspondence between the association presidents and/or CEO of USTFCCCA and NCAA T&F committee, be shared by email, with entire division I coaching body (Gary Wilson, 2nd). Rejected by Executive Committee, 0-32-1.
 - 4. Proposal to add "the provisions of this bylaw include international student athletes to the provisions of NCAA bylaw 14.7.1." (Mick Byrne, 2nd). Supported unanimously by the Executive Committee.
 - 5. Proposal to specify that participation on an international institution's TEAM use a season of eligibility irrespective of how the team is defined within the institution, see bylaw 14.02.7; 14.2.3.7; and 17.02.8.2. (Mick Byrne, 2nd). Supported unanimously by Executive Committee.

iii. NEW BUSINESS - INFORMATIONAL

- 1. Standardization in event names to be implemented at national/conference levels from Board of Directors. Supported unanimously by Executive Committee, request implementation by membership.
- 2. Standardization of event conversions. Supported unanimously by Board of Directors, request implementation by membership.
- 3. Proposed new timeline for rules change process (begins in odd-numbered years). Supported unanimously by Board of Directors.

- 4. Proposal to address spike length rules enforcement by host institutions (Sheldon Blockberger). Addressed by Executive Committee in a letter to the NCAA T&F committee on May 2. NCAA T&F Committee has sponsored a playing rule change to address this issue.
- 5. Proposal to change 8hr./20hr. rule for practice (Pat Henry). Tabled by Executive Committee, requesting additional information with specific protocol.
- 6. Proposal to add women's TF/XC scholarships with the possibility of totals changing as part of the Div. I Presidential reform efforts (Lou Snelling). Tabled by Executive Committee.

j. CONFERENCE BREAKOUTS

k. Meeting adjourned.

II. Division I General Meeting #2- December 14, 2011

- a. WELCOME Ron Mann.
- b. RULES Bob Podkaminer- Rules update. Mostly noted the new Pole Vault helmet standard will be in effect immediately and the safety collar around box mandate and standard to be in effect for next year. Indexing for Indoor Tracks moving forward and hopeful for them to be done in one year. Reminder that rule change proposals are due May 1, 2012.
- c. OLYMPIC TRIALS Vin Lananna/LOC chair gave presentation of 2012 Olympic Trials and noted that the final schedule is completed and available on USATF and Tracktown.com websites.
- d. INDOOR NCAA HOST J.W. Hardy of Boise State gave brief summary of notable information for the 2012 NCAA Indoor Championships.
- e. OUTDOOR NCAA PRELIMINARY HOST East, Univ. of North Florida. He gave a brief summary of notable information for the 2012 East Preliminary championship.
- f. OUTDOOR NCAA PRELIMINARY HOST West, Univ. of Texas. He gave a brief summary of notable information for the 2012 West Preliminary championship.
- g. OUTDOOR NCAA FINALS HOST Drake University. Brian Brown gave brief summary of notable information for the NCAA Finals Championship meet.
- h. NCAA T&F/XC Liaisons Liz Suscha/Todd Patulski. Announced where coaches could find information on technical manual and pre-competition book for championships at ncaa.org.

i. OLD BUSINESS

- i. Motion to pursue immediate rule change to apply all current conversions for all event of the multi-events for qualifying purposes for Indoor championships. Steve Rainbolt, 2nd, Moves forward- passes by voice vote.
- ii. Motion to distribute Div. I T&F dual meet team power rankings. Motion to put on ballot, 2nd Passes by voice vote.

j. NEW BUSINESS – TIME SENSITIVE

- i. Motion to expand All-Academic outdoor recognition for combined events to mirror indoor criteria and expand to top 48 each region. Motion to put on ballot Curtis Frye, 2nd- passes by voice vote.
- ii. NCAA 2011-30 position of Executive Committee stands.
- iii. NCAA 2011-31 position of Executive Committee stands.
- iv. NCAA 2011-44 position of Executive Committee stands.
- v. NCAA 2011-74 position of Executive Committee stands, moves forward.
- vi. Motion to amend rule book to include information on conducting regular season scoring meets- position of Executive Committee stands, moves forward.
- vii. Motion to bring back early signing position of Executive Committee stands, moves forward.
- viii. Motion to substitute mile for 1500m in outdoor track and field- Motion to put on ballot Pat Henry, 2nd. VOTE: 111-101, hand vote, moves forward.
- ix. Motion regarding preliminary round host institution's coaches being held to the same criteria as all visiting coaches regarding access to facility during competition- motion to put on ballot, Curtis Frye, 2nd Passes by voice vote.
- x. Motion to Proposal to eliminate uniform rule 4 section 3 motion to put on ballot, Curtis Frye, 2nd. Vote: 22-194 hand vote, failed.

k. NEW BUSINESS – NON-TIME SENSITIVE

- i. All non time sensitive proposals were brought forward and opened up for discussion only.
- Meeting adjourned.

III. Division I General Meeting #3 / Voting Session – December 15, 2011

- a. WELCOME. Ron Mann called meeting to order.
- b. TFRRS gave announcements.
- c. VOTING Shannon Wright gave explanation of voting process.
- d. CEO Sam Seemes talked about the NCAA Presidential Reform efforts and highlighted the problems with non-countable aid/financial aid changes creating a major disparity among institutions.
- e. HALL OF FAME Elvis Forde gave information regarding process for nominations and asked those whom nominate to give as much detail as possible.

f. VOTING SESSION began -

- i. Motion: To pursue immediate rule change to apply all current conversions for all events of the multi-events for qualifying purposes for Indoor championships (Institutional vote) VOTE: 226-5-0 PASSES.
- ii. Motion: Motion to create and distribute Div. I T&F dual meet team power rankings. (Membership vote) Motion to table until next convention, Beth Alford-Sullivan, 2nd. Motion tabled by voice vote.
- iii. Motion: To expand All-Academic outdoor recognition for combined events to mirror indoor criteria and expand to top 48 each region (Membership vote) VOTE: 249-8-2. PASSES.

- iv. Motion: To amend rule book to include information on conducting regular season scoring meets (Institutional vote) VOTE: 245-16-3. PASSES.
- v. Motion: To add a one-week early signing period in November for track and field/cross country. (Institutional vote). VOTE: 198-71-12. PASSES.
- vi. Motion: To Substitute the mile for the 1500m in outdoor track and field. A friendly amendment was accepted to change wording from substitute to Replace. Motion: To replace the mile for the 1500m in outdoor track and field. (Institutional vote). VOTE: 47-214-8. FAILS.
- vii. Motion: At the NCAA preliminary round and NCAA Finals for track and field- the host institution's coaches should be subject to the same criteria as all the visiting coaches in regard to access to warm-up areas, clerk areas, mixed zones, infield areas, etc., that all the other coaches at the competition do not have access to. (Institutional vote). VOTE: 216-39-2. PASSES.
- g. Meeting Adjourned.

Submitted by: Kathleen Raske, Secretary USTFCCCA