CCA Compliance Administrators Teleconference March 12, 2002

Those participating: Shane Lyons, Atlantic Coast; Steve Sturek, Atlantic Sun; Jackie Campbell, Liz Cane, Atlantic Ten; Lindsey Babcock, Joyce Harris, Jerome Rodgers, Stan Wilcox, Big East; Amy Haworth, Big South; Jennifer Heppel, Big Ten; Lori Ebihara, Big Twelve; Erica Satterfield, Big West; Myra Fishback, Kosha Irby, Noreen Morris, Conference USA; Stephanie Jarvis, Horizon; Barbara Church, Jon Liberatore, Metro Atlantic Athletic; Dell Robinson, Tracy Scott, Mid-American; Amy Huchthausen, Patty Viverito, Missouri Valley; Carolayne Henry, Mountain West; Corrinne Wright, Northeast; Lee Moses, Ohio Valley; Ron Barker, Mike Matthews, Pacific-Ten; Gil Grimes, Southern; Beth Chapman, Southland; Helen Grant, Sun Belt; Gloria Nevarez, West Coast; Pat Hairston, Western Athletic.

1 Compliance Assistant Software. Lynn Holzman, Delise O'Meally, and Wendy Walters from membership services joined the teleconference to discuss the NCAA compliance assistant software. Wendy Walters gave an update on some upcoming additions to the software, which will be included in the web-based version. The additions that were discussed included: the ability for the NCAA to provide unified updates, as opposed to each user having to update their system; the diagnosis of problems directly, since the program would be stored on the NCAA server and the internal programmers would be writing the software; also an increase in the functions which could provided by the software - the staff anticipates adding a playing and practice seasons module, and an expanded recruiting module that could track contacts, phone calls, official visits, etc. The staff on the call indicated that a test model of the web-based version would be available by the 2002-03 academic year, with the final version accessible by 2003-04. Also, if there any conference institutions interested in participating in the test phase, Mandi Kern on the membership services staff should be contacted.

After the membership services staff exited the call, the CCACA agreed to form a subcommittee to coordinate discussions between the NCAA and the Bond, Schoeneck and King law firm, which would hopefully result in the NCAA providing the B,S,&K toolbox software to the membership at no cost. Shane Lyons, Jerome Rodgers, and Lori Ebihara agreed to coordinate these discussions.

- 2. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>. Approved the minutes of the February 11, 2002 meeting.
- 3. <u>On Campus Events Involving Prospects During Dead Periods</u>. LRIS requested that the CCACA review a proposed minute relating to whether an institution could host an on campus event involving prospects during a dead period. The CCACA group agreed it would be permissible for such an event to be hosted on campus provided that coaching staff members and individuals with sport specific responsibilities are not involved in conducting the event.

4. <u>Modifications to Amateurism Proposals</u>. Stan Wilcox reported on the CCACA subcommittee, who met with the NCAA staff and the chairs of the agents and amateurism subcommittee of the AEC cabinet, in order to modify the amateurism proposals so that they would be more attractive to the membership. The modifications agreed upon by this group and approved by the AEC cabinet are summarized as follows:

1) The redefinition of the organized competition rule, making the definition less inclusive (proposal 99-106-1 as modified by 99-106-1-A)

2) prospects would be allowed to accept compensation for athletics compensation, however the amount received cannot exceed actual and necessary expenses (proposal 99-111as modified by 99-111-3);

3) prospects would be allowed to accept prize money based on place finish, however the amount received cannot exceed actual and necessary expenses (proposal 99-110 as modified by 99-110-2);

4) prospects would be allowed to enter a professional draft and be drafted – preenrollment draft would be consistent with post-enrollment draft(proposal 99-107);
5) prospects would be allowed to sign a professional contract (proposal 99-108);
6) prospects would be allowed to compete with professionals – could not receive more than actual and necessary expenses (proposal 99-109)
It was also reported that these proposals should be examined in concert with proposal 01-96, which would redefine a professional team solely by whether or not the team pays more than actual and necessary expenses. Further, these modifications should not have to be placed back into the comment period because they do not broaden the scope of the original amateurism proposals.

5. <u>Men's Basketball Recruiting</u>. The CCACA discussed a 12/19/01 official interpretation, which allows a coaching staff member to make unlimited phone calls five days prior to an official visit that occurs during a prospect's junior year. The CCACA agreed that this interpretation would permit an institution to make unlimited phone calls prior to a junior prospect's official visit in April, even if the five days stretched into March. The group agreed that this interpretation would apply in 2002, even though proposal 01-52, which allows one phone call in March, is not effective until April 1, 2002.

In discussing the application of proposals 01-51,52, and 53, the group sought input as to whether or not it would be permissible at all for institutional coaches to evaluate prospects that are practicing at a facility that is not located at the high school - weekdays during the April contact period and at any time during the September contact period. The CCACA agreed that if the high school's only facility is off-campus, then it would be permissible for coaches to evaluate prospects at that facility. If the prospects are practicing or competing at another facility for any other reason (e.g., unavailability because of another event, or construction at the high school facility), then it was agreed that coaches could not evaluate prospects at the off-campus site.

- 6. <u>February 4, 2002 LAC Camp Brochures</u>. The CCACA discussed the February 4 Legislative Assistance Column, which stated that camp brochures cannot contain pictures of a stadium or arena that is full of spectators, since the stadium or arena will not be full during the camp. The NCAA staff is also interpreting the legislation to state that student-athletes (present and former), who are not working at a camp, cannot even be present in the background of a picture of the institution's facilities. The CCACA believed that the column and the interpretations of this legislation by the staff are not supported either legislatively or through an official interpretation. The CCACA agreed to bring this issue to LRIS if necessary. Furthermore, the CCACA supports deregulating the legislation related to camp brochures, and it was agreed that the CCACA would write a letter in support of deregulation to the recruiting deregulation subcommittee.
- 7. <u>NLI Validation</u>. The CCACA agreed that the validation of the National Letter of Intent should be strictly interpreted - so that all dates, times, and signatures must be correct in order for the letter to be valid. The CCACA will forward a letter to the national letter of intent office supporting the strict interpretation of the NLI.
- 8. <u>Bylaw 22.2.1.3 Rules Compliance once in three year review</u>. The CCACA is in support of changing the once in three year requirement that an outside authority review an institution's compliance program to once in four or even once every five years.
- 9. <u>Next call</u>. The next conference call was set for April 10, 2002 at 11:00 a.m. central time.