## CALIFORNIA COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION Student-Athlete Advisory Council Meeting Minutes October 15, 2000 - Host International Airport Hotel, Calif.

## In attendance:

Robert J. Hiegert - CCAA Commissioner Pam Gill-Fisher - UC Davis, NCAA Report Michelle Gee - Cal State L.A. (women's tennis) Kristy Prasad - San Francisco State (women's track & field) Linda Ament - Cal State, San Bernardino (volleyball) Carey Corfiatis - Grand Canyon (volleyball) Stefanie Hedlund - Cal Poly Pomona (volleyball) Kelly Parker - UC Davis (women's soccer) Mara Caples - Cal State Dominguez Hills (women's cross country/track & field) Max Harris - Cal State Bakersfield (wrestling) Kendra Kittoe - Chico State (women's soccer) Andrea Koplin - Cal State Stanislaus (track & field) Amanda Perdue - Sonoma State (women's volleyball) - CCAA SAAC Chair Monica Heuer - Coordinator of Compliance **No representation:** UC San Diego

-Hiegert called the meeting to order at 11:30

-Hiegert reviewed the CCAA governance structure and the role of the SAAC representative.

-Hiegert announced Amanda Perdue (SSU) as the NCAA representative. She will attend the January NCAA meetings replacing Megan Canova (UCD).

-Gill-Fisher gave overview of NCAA structure and how SAAC is a vital part. She discussed Division II philosophy, organizational structure, financial aid limitations, and sports sponsorship requirement. She addressed "hot" topics from National SAAC which included, voluntary workouts and days off, phone calls (should they be limited to once a week or not limited), championships for all sports, amateurism (competitive advantage).

-Gill-Fisher discussed importance of legislative booklet and issues that will be voted on. SAAC members were encouraged to look at issues and express viewpoint with their administrator. Perdue will have a vote and attend next executive council meeting.

-Hedlund suggested that each CCAA SAAC representative take legislative book to their SAAC group on campus to discuss issues concerning student-athletes and vote on them. Each institution would have a voice in the CCAA SAAC meeting along with a vote.

-Hiegert mentioned CCAA Manual is up on web site, specifically the SAAC Bylaws.

-Personal introductions along with SAAC updates from each institution.

-Hiegert discussed strategies in getting student-athletes to attend SAAC meeting at each institution. The student-athlete must have a purpose, a time that he/she can attend, administration/advisor support and support from other groups on campus. Hiegert continued to give more strategies in marketing SAAC groups on campus. Each SAAC could have a visible bulletin board, athlete of the month, web site with minutes, sport teams support each other.

-Heuer will put CCAA SAAC members email address on CCAA Web site along with pictures of the officers.

-Hiegert discussed CCAA patch and its approval by the Executive Council. It will be optional for each institution to purchase patches from CCAA. Patches will cost approximately \$.75-\$1.00 per patch. The patches could also be embroidered. He added some sports have limitations (ie. basketball) on where a patch can be placed. Having patches on warm-ups is also an option.

-Hiegert discussed NCAA YES Clinic. He noted grant was approved by NCAA for girls ages 9-

16. He stated that the CCAA SAAC could be ambassadors for these type of events. The host championship site and their SAAC should take a leadership role in assisting with organization and running clinics in the future. He urged soccer players to wear uniform to this event. He discussed criteria for selecting championship site and encouraged SAAC members to talk with administration if they have a view on all sports having a championship. He explained the standing committee's (legislative, administrative, game management, championship) and how each institution is represented on the committee's.

-The SAAC recommended group projects that can be implemented this school year. The areas of emphasis consists of a food drive (winter event), community outreach, and community service (spring event). The theme is sportsmanship. Each SAAC group will be responsible for coming up with an event on their campus that coincide with the these emphasis' and theme. SAAC recommended that the events be publicized before and after, especially through the CCAA web site. Taking pictures of all events were encouraged.

-Hedlund recommended for food drive that cans be donated to Salvation Army or Red Cross, depending on campus proximity.

-Perdue encouraged SAAC to mark calendars for April 6 National Student Athlete Day. More discussion will take place at next meeting.

-The SAAC recommended next teleconference will be Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00 a.m. The CCAA office will set up the number for members to dial in.

-Hedlund stated concern about SAAC Chairperson not being able to directly go in front of Executive Council regarding SAAC concerns as opposed to going through the SAAC liaison who may not be a concerned about the issues. She stated it is important for SAAC chairperson to represent the students and it is a valuable experience.

-Hiegert explained the purpose of liaison and how each group has a liaison that reports to the Executive Council. He added that Perdue as the NCAA/CCAA representative can make a presentation to the council.

**MSP:** As a special condition, Hedlund moved Chair of CCAA SAAC make presentation to Executive Council instead of liaison, Prasad seconded. PASSED unanimous.

-Friendly amendment, SAAC recommended spring meeting for executive council to be changed from June 5-7 to June 4-6 (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday) so SAAC could make presentation to council.

-Hiegert explained that it takes six teams to make men's tennis a CCAA sport and right now we have five.

-Hedlund recommended CCAA Media Guide have a full page for SAAC Representatives. She also recommended all SAAC's pick new CCAA SAAC representative by Spring and have them accompany present representative to CCAA SAAC meeting.

-Hiegert advised all SAAC's to have a SAAC representative on the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Board. There is a position on their board specifically for the SAAC rep.

-Hiegert showed the NCAA basketball t-shirts and discussed the possibility of a CCAA Sports Calendar. He noted the calendar would consist of each institution in the CCAA and it would highlight CCAA events. He suggested this could be a fundraiser for the SAAC's and the conference would look into a sponsor. This item will be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:34 p.m.