



April 27th, 2016

Athletic Compliance Committee

Present: Ethan Bergman, Lindsey Brown, Gail Farmer, Dennis Francois, Kathy Gaer-Carlton, Gary Hyatt, Kari Johnson, Lisa Plesha, Eric Scott, Mal Stewman, Jordan Todd, Rory Weishaar

I. Welcome

II. Actions

Notification of secondary violations-Gary Hyatt

Gary reported that we have had a few secondary violations this year that he self-reported to the NCAA. He added that secondary violations are isolated or inadvertent in nature, are intended to provide only a minimal recruiting, competitive or other advantage, and do not include any significant impermissible benefit. CWU's most recent violations are listed below.

- 1) MBB Voluntary Workouts
- 2) Football Voluntary Workouts
- 3) Extra Benefit Violations

III. Items for Discussion

a. Title IX Audit Update-Gary Hyatt

Staci Sleigh-Layman has the information. The plan is to conduct the interview intakes with the student-athletes in May. The report will be done and shared with the committee by the end of the academic year.

b. Athletic Participation-Gary Hyatt

Gary explained that there is a small section in the university catalog titled, Athletic Participation. He asked the group their thoughts regarding whether or not we really need this statement in the catalog. The group agreed that a brief statement that

includes our conference name, the sports we offer and contact information would be sufficient. Gary will bring the revised draft of "Athletic Participation" to the next meeting.

c. Coaches Test-Ethan Bergman

Ethan reported that all of the coaches will participate in the annual coaches test on May 18. The reason behind this test is it reaffirms that the coaches who deal with student-athletes are familiar with the NCAA manual. If coaches don't pass this annual test they are not allowed to recruit off campus. They must wait 14 days before they can re-test.

d. Wagering, Social Environment-Ethan Bergman

An anonymous survey regarding wagering and social environment will be conducted with student-athletes from volleyball and baseball. The Human Subjects Review committee will review and approve the survey prior to our athlete's participation. Results will then be submitted to the NCAA for their report.

e. Mental Health & NCAA Leader –Kari Johnson

Kari reported that a mental health committee is being formed. It will be comprised of 3 staff members and 5 student-athletes. They will be developing a web page and drafting a monthly newsletter. The goal of this new group is to educate staff, coaches and students on mental health and to assist student-athletes in their transition out of athletics. A coffee talk with alumni athletes is the first event planned. In addition, a student peer group called PAWS – Peer Athletic Wellness Supporters has been developed to assist student-athletes.

Kari added that two CWU student-athletes were selected from the entire GNAC conference to attend this year's leadership conference. Kudos to Drew Wallen and Whitney Lowe.

IV. Other

Update on Athletics

Dennis gave a quick update on Athletics. A couple of changes in the Athletic Department include: Kari is taking over as the Assistant Athletic Director for Compliance, Gary is the Associate Director for Internal Affairs, and a search for a new head athletic trainer will begin soon.

The Hall of Fame Banquet is May 14. Two teams and several individuals will be inducted.

Women's rugby lost to BYU in the semifinals and men's rugby lost to Cal. Both the men's and women's rugby teams will participate in the National 7's tournament in North Carolina May 27-28.

Track and Field has 6 provisional qualifiers headed to nationals.

Baseball is currently 3rd in the conference.

Softball won the regular season conference and had 9 all-team academic student-athletes. That is the highest in the GNAC conference. Kiana Wood was named GNAC Pitcher of the Year and Coach Larabee was named GNAC Head Coach of the Year.

The spring football game is this Saturday.