

## AGENDA

Women's Basketball Coaches Association  
NCAA Division III Business Meeting presented by adidas and Marriott Rewards  
Sunday, April 2, 2017

The NCAA Division III Business Meeting presented by adidas and Marriott Rewards convened at the Sheraton Dallas Hotel, Dallas Ballroom D1 in Dallas, Texas, at 10:30 a.m. CT Sunday, April 2, 2017. Attendance was not recorded.

1. Call to order.  
Patricia Manning, WBCA board member, called the meeting to order. She introduced WBCA President Coquese Washington.
2. Welcome.  
Washington thanked all Division III members for their dedication to the sport as well as to the association. She challenged attendees to share ways the WBCA can be of more help to its members. Washington also encouraged members to be more active in their WBCA membership.
3. Presentation of United State Marine Corps/WBCA NCAA III Regional Coaches of the Year.
4. Captain Evita Mosqueda-Chapman presented the below Regional Coaches of the Year with a certificate.
  - (1) Region 1 - G.P. Gromacki, Amherst College
  - (2) Region 2 - Scott Hemer, State University College-Geneseo (Absent)
  - (3) Region 3 - Karin Harvey, Montclair State University (Absent)
  - (4) Region 4 - Michael Miller, Messiah College (Absent)
  - (5) Region 5 - Polly Thomason, University of Texas-Dallas
  - (6) Region 6 - Michele Durand, Ohio Northern University (Absent)
  - (7) Region 7 - Nancy Fahey, Washington University (Absent)
  - (8) Region 8 - Loree Payne, University of Puget Sound (Absent)
5. NCAA playing rules update.
  - a. Rachel Seewald, associate director of championships and alliances at the NCAA, recognized the three Division III representatives of the rules committee: Brad Duckworth, chair, Women's Basketball Rules Committee, Sam Jones, Waynesburg University and Juli Fulks, Transylvania University. Seewald encouraged coaches to share input throughout the year — whether through submitting proposals, taking the rules survey or participating in the comment area after minutes from committee meetings have been approved. Seewald finished by introducing Duckworth.
  - b. Duckworth referenced the two halves to four quarters rule that was set two years ago, and expressed the change has influenced the sport for the better. He also encouraged members to take the DIII survey which closed Friday,

April 7. The next meeting will be the second week in May, and the surveys will help in making the best changes for our game. So far, there are no major changes to the rule — just a few tweaks. Duckworth finished by introducing Jon Levinson, secretary-rules editor, Women’s Basketball Rules Committee.

- c. Levinson shared the cutoff date to submit proposals was February 1. There were approximately 100 proposals received. Forty-eight of those proposals will be discussed during the meeting in May. Levinson expressed the rules committee wants feedback on the below nine proposals.
- (1) Moving the restricted area mark to four feet.
  - (2) Opting to advance the ball to either side of the court.
  - (3) Getting rid of use it or lose it policy regarding timeouts, allowing teams to carry all over to second half.
  - (4) Resetting team fouls at the start of every overtime period; shooting 2 free throws beginning with third foul.
  - (5) No reset of the ten-second backcourt count when offensive team is charged a timeout.
  - (6) Permitting officials to use the replay monitor at any time to review “ball in hand” shot clock violations on successful goals only.
  - (7) Permitting officials to use replay monitor in the final two minutes to determine location of players’ movement toward the basket when a RA blocking foul is called.
  - (8) Restructuring and simplifying rules around fouls/penalties.
  - (9) Allowing substitutions before the start of free throws, not between them.

6. Presentation by adidas.

- a. Megan Curry spoke about the support(s) adidas gives to the sport of women’s basketball as well as to all female athletes. She encouraged members to reach out to their nearest representative if they have questions or needs.

7. NCAA Division III Championship.

Kelly Whitaker, assistant director of championship at the NCAA, touched on how great DIII’s impact has been on the sport of women’s basketball. She went over a handout that explained the below topics:

- a. Recognition of final four teams.
- b. The DIII survey closes Friday, April 7, but if you have anything after that date, reach out to a committee member (DIII representative) or email [kwhitaker@ncaa.org](mailto:kwhitaker@ncaa.org).
- c. Championships committee actions.
  - (1) The NCAA is going into a three-year budget cycle.
  - (2) The consolation game was voted to be discontinued.
  - (3) Non-conference strength of schedule to be added as a secondary selection criteria regarding rankings.

- d. Increasing officiating fees by 35 percent by 2020-21. Increasing per diem to \$95 this next year and to \$100 by 2020-21. The organization also wants to be able to pay a stipend to onsite official evaluators (evaluators will be volunteers).
  - e. Next year's championship will be hosted in Rochester, Minnesota.
    - (1) The NCAA is currently going through the bid process for the next few years — with the announcement of locations happening Tuesday, April 18.
    - (2) A question was raised regarding the rotation of hosting regional tournaments between men's and women's programs at the same university. Whitaker shared there are many factors when deciding which teams host (e.g. financial, university locations). It would be a process because not only would the women's side have to manage the previous noted factors, the men's side would also have to be consulted.
8. NCAA Division III legislation.  
Mo Harty, associate director of academic and membership affairs at the NCAA went over need-to-know information from ten previous proposals received by the association. The approved will take effect August 1.

#### **Defeated**

- a. Graduate and post graduate transfer rules.

#### **Approved**

- a. Camps and clinics legislation was effected immediately.
  - a. Must have attendance rules that are specific (e.g. for ninth grade and up).
  - b. No free or discounted admission for PSAs.
  - c. Stay away from recruiting or scouting services.
- b. Deregulation of financial aid from outside sources.
- c. You still get two letters of exemption (exhibits/scrimmages).
- d. The NCAA along with Disney has built a program which will empower/prepare support staffs to be able to handle hostile/difficult parents and fans in a professional manner. NCAA is asking two representatives from each conference to go to a two-day training in Orlando, Florida. Those two individuals would then come back and train other members in their conference.
- e. A LGBTQ working group.
- f. You can now receive an eligibility center number without registering.

#### **Updates**

- a. DIII week started Monday, April 3. If any institution tweeted using #d3week, the NCAA donated \$10 to that institution.
- b. Regional Rules is in Indianapolis, Indiana, May 15 – 17 and in San Diego, California, June 5 – 7.
- c. Conference rules seminar is in Worcester, Massachusetts on June 14.
- d. Inclusion forum is in Providence, Rhode Island, April 21 – 23.

9. WBCA report.

- a. Manning went over the below WBCA updates.

**WBCA Coach Classroom Regional Workshops**

This spring and summer the WBCA will host five one-day WBCA Coach Classroom Regional Workshops. These events will be focus on topics like communication, marketing, leadership as well as some on-court instruction, and the purpose is to be able to reach coaches who cannot attend the WBCA Convention. The current schedule includes:

- May 4 - Washington, D.C.
- May 20 – Toledo, Ohio
- May 21 – Auburn, Alabama
- May 24 – Boston, Massachusetts
- August 5 – Berkeley, California

If you are interested in hosting a workshop in 2018, contact the WBCA at [membership@wbca.org](mailto:membership@wbca.org). Visit [wbca.org](http://wbca.org) to register.

**Center for Coach Excellence (CCE)**

Due to a lack of interest and a change in the direction of WBCA's professional development strategy, the Center for Coach Excellence (CCE) will no longer be held.

**United States Marine Corps Coaches Leadership Workshop**

The United States Marine Corps will host their three-day coaches' program at Marine Base Quantico in Virginia on May 17 - 20. The program focuses on developing leadership and teambuilding skills. This program is by invitation only; however, a member can email [membership@wbca.org](mailto:membership@wbca.org) to let the WBCA know of his or her interest.

10. Recognition of WBCA committees.

- a. Manning recognized the following committees:
- (1) Conference Captains.
  - (2) United States Marine Corps/WBCA NCAA Division III National Coach of the Year Selection Committee.
  - (3) WBCA NCAA Division III Coaches' All-America and Player of the Year Selection Committee.
  - (4) WBCA NCAA Division III Top 25 Coaches Poll Committee.

11. Vacancies on WBCA Board of Directors, Conference Captains and committees [Supplement].

- a. Manning shared the below vacancies:
- (1) Board of Directors (vice president only open position) – nominations open March 13, nominations close April 13; voting opens April 26, voting ends May 5.

- (2) WBCA committees – nominations open August 23, nominations close September 8; voting opens September 13, voting ends September 20.
- (3) Conference Captains (Great Northeast Athletic Conference, Southern Athletic Association).
- (4) WBCA NCAA Division III Top 25 Coaches' Poll Committee (Region 4 – Mid Atlantic, Region 5 – South, Region 6 – Great Lakes).

12. Other business.

- a. Manning closed the meeting by allowing all attendees to introduce themselves. She also spoke on trying to start an All-Star game, since the consolation game ended. The All-Star team would consist of the top 20 seniors in the country. Organizers are currently working on securing sponsorship for the event, and anyone willing to volunteer should email [pmanning@williams.edu](mailto:pmanning@williams.edu). The All-Stars would participate in a community service project, and the All-Star game would be played the day before the DIII championship.
- b. Manning encouraged all members to get involved with the WBCA and to attend the DIII national championship.

13. Adjournment.

- a. Manning thanked everyone for their service and adjourned the meeting.

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## **WBCA Division III Award Winners**

### **The Pat Summitt Trophy presented to the United States Marine Corps/WBCA National Division III Coach of the Year**

G.P. Gromacki, Amherst College

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### **Assistant Coach of the Year**

Kari Pickens, Ashland University

### **NCAA Division III National Champion**

Amherst College

### **WBCA Victory Club Winners**

Bob, Amsberry, Wartburg College

Tim Barrett, Castleton University

Judy Blinstrub, Babson College

Mary Ellen Burt, Union College

Gabby Lisella, Rowan University

Mike McDevitt, St. Joseph's College

Fred Richter, Desales University

Ronald Rohn, Muhlenberg College

### **WBCA Player of the Year**

Ali Doswell, Amherst College

### **WBCA Coaches' All-America Team**

Melissa Baptista, Tufts University

Ali Doswell, Amherst College

Monica Holguin, Trinity University (TX)

Kaitlin Langer, University of St. Thomas

Britt Lauck, Ohio Northern University

Alexandra Leslie, University of Rochester

Katie McDaniels, Wheaton College (IL)

Lisa Murphy, Carnegie Mellon University

Michela North, Tufts University

Sara Tarbert, Stevenson University

### **Allstate WBCA Good Works Team®**

Holly Denfeld, Milwaukee School of Engineering

Grace Smith, Kalamazoo College

**WBCA Thirty Under 30 presented by Marriott**

Jessica Cavaco, assistant coach, Fairleigh Dickinson University-Florham

Cody Hartzler, assistant coach, Baldwin Wallace University

Olivia Lett, assistant coach, University of Chicago

MaryLynn Skarzenski, head coach, Mitchell College