

## June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2009 9:00 AM Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Justin Lamma, Anna VanTassel, Jean Musgjerd, Steve Frantz, Jenni Swenson, Ron Langrell, Mike Fury, Justin Heckenlaible

Not Present: Stan Cram, Paul McDonald, Steve Crittenden, Mike Johnson, Jay Pivec

Motion to Approve May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Minutes by Fury

2<sup>nd</sup> by Lamma

Discussion to change that Anoka Ramsey was included in the Softball schedule

Motion passes

### Old Business

MCAC possible Marketing ideas for 09-10 Year (Heckenlaible)

Heckenlaible gave an update on some marketing ideas that he had come up with:

1. Coming up with a tri-fold printed document that would be a profile/media guide with pictures and information on the league to send out to media members. The profile would be sent to newspapers, TV, Radio, 4 year schools, High School Coaches. This would also be posted on MCAC website
2. Getting banners for each state tournament venue that welcomes fans and has the MCAC conference logo and website on it.
3. Having the conference purchase t-shirts, mini footballs, volleyballs, basketballs etc to throw out at the various state tournaments.
4. Remind AD's of the opportunity to buy banners to hang at their field and gyms
5. Collect ideas from other coaching groups to see what they agree with or other things to do

No trainer at Mesabi Range game incident (VanTassel)

VanTassel wanted to remind AD's to fill out incident reports if a school does not comply with their responsibility like not having a trainer available. A letter to the chain of communication about having trainer at games.

It was next asked if it was in the operating code that softball and baseball games must have medical person on site? Heckenlaible was going to check the code.

Appropriate pre-Game/during game music being played at MCAC/NJCAA Events (Musgjerd)

Wanted to have something in the minutes to remind AD's and coaches to make sure warm up music was appropriate. This will be addressed at the summer meeting.

## Baseball Ejections and behavior discussions

Make sure to send of reminder to AD's and Coaches on the ejection policy to make sure they are filling out proper paper work and encourage out conference to not have any ejections or reduce the number from the 2009 season.

Baseball coaches talked about having a list of expectations and also what happens to players and coaches giving to umpires when they get their checks to make sure everyone understands the ejections policy.

At the beginning of the year conference call the baseball coaches will be reminded of ejection policy and the new number of games they will have to sit out.

## Langrell and Frantz gave an update on the Meeting with Presidents

Presidents want to make sure they are informed about inappropriate behavior, because sometimes they are not hearing about it from their campus people. It will be put on the 2010 General Assembly agenda to make sure the membership keeps their President informed when ejections etc. happen so they do not hear about it from another source.

Also the evolution of the conference the Presidents group do not have a governing official role in the current structure. Maybe it is time for the group to look at a new process the empowers the President's group but not having deal them to deal with small decisions such as what type of volleyballs to buy

The meeting was a positive one and looking forward to making sure the Presidents group is informed and wanting their input as the conference continues to grow and improve.

## New make-up policy for baseball games( listed in the baseball minutes)

Motion from the baseball coaches

2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Fury

Discussion: Can a double forfeit be in the schedule if the games cannot be made up because of weather.

Motion passes

## New Baseball Division realignment (mileage chart attached)

Motion from baseball coaches

2<sup>nd</sup> by VanTassel

Motion passes

## **New Business**

Northland would like to see if they could move our games with Fond du Lac from Feb. 20th to Feb. 19th. Northland has talked with Fond du Lac and they are fine with the date change. The reason is Northland has 10 high school teams that play what they call a Super Saturday and they would like to see if they could play at Northland on Feb. 20th.

Motion to approve Lamppa

2<sup>nd</sup> by VanTassel

Motion passes

Approval of the Baseball schedules for North/Central/South (attached documents)

Motion by Fury to approve

2<sup>nd</sup> by Lamppa

Motion passes

Approval of the baseball cross-over games with new team and new locations

Motion by Lamppa to approve

2<sup>nd</sup> by Musgjerd

Motion passes

Motion by Baseball Coaches approved changing Fall baseball Practice from 1<sup>st</sup> day of class to Last Day of October

2<sup>nd</sup> by Fury

Motion Fails

Motion by Fury to accept the Baseball Minutes

2<sup>nd</sup> by VanTassel

Motion passes

Summer Meeting agenda ideas that were sent to conference office

State wide quote on busing mileage rates

Conference wide film exchange agreement for all sports to reduce cost

These will be added to the warm-up music and having a trainer on site agenda items

Update on the Operating Code submissions

The sports that had their operating code to the conference office by June 1 was WBB, MBB, FB

Those operating code files will be sent to Anna VanTassel for her subcommittee to look over the code and make sure they are in compliance with the MCAC operating code. (baseball, volleyball, golf, wrestling, softball) yet to come.

Langrell and Heckenlaible will look through the MCAC Agreement and Operating codes and get them up to date and record any changes that need to be done for approval by the subcommittee.

#### MCAC Soccer update on operating code and Dakota County staying Division 1

Heckenlaible gave update on the committee meeting and getting the operating code finalized and the concern over DCTC being a Division One school.

Discussion over DCTC being Division 1 competing against Division 3 member schools and unfair competitive advantage:

Resolution from the Executive Committee is as follows: There are currently 4 MnSCU schools that have soccer for both women's and men's but only three schools are at division 3 status, therefore to adhere to MCAC operating code bylaws that states that 4 schools of the same division must sponsor the sport for it to be a conference sanctioned sport. The MCAC will not have soccer as a official sport for the 2009-2010 season. The MCAC hopes that more schools will look to start up soccer at the division 3 level for the 2010-2011 season so it can be official recognized MCAC sport.

Musgjerd commented about the operating code and wanted to make sure the region language was taken out of the code so it is not confusing. Things such as where the region tournament is going to be held as an example.

#### MCAC Softball: Dakota County status

Conference office has asked for a commitment from them and have gotten little response and they have been very reluctant to commit to having a team for the 2010 season. They have been club status the past two years.

If they chose to discontinue Program or go club status: Institutions intending to discontinue a sport will notify the MCAC Conference Coordinator and all individual opponents by August in the current fiscal year for spring sports.

#### MCTC Basketball

Heckenlaible gave an update that they will they will have basketball their basketball programs for the 09-10 season and then they will have to fund raise \$118,000 in order to have the program remain in existence.

Motion to adjourn from Lamppa

2<sup>nd</sup> by VanTassel

Next meeting will either be in on July 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM via ITV or in September