



**Association of Division III Independents**  
**Executive Committee**

**Telephone Conference**  
**Monday, September 8, 2003**

Participants: David Currey, Chapman University  
Debby DeAngelis, California State University, Hayward  
Jim Huckaby, Baptist Bible College  
Joel Nielsen, Colorado College  
Julie Soriero, Colorado College  
Dick Strockbine, University of Dallas (chair)  
Ted Breidenthal, Sports Association Management, Inc.  
John Leavens, director, Association of Division III Independents

Not participating: Rob Cashell, Eastern Oregon University.

1. Mr. Strockbine called the conference to order at 9:07 a.m. Central time.
2. Previous Minutes. The committee approved minutes of the June 18, 2003, telephone conference.
3. Proposed Legislation Related to Season-Ending Competition.
  - a. Mr. Breidenthal reported that 12 institutions had responded to a survey circulated by the association concerning support for the proposal and outlining sample championship formats in selected sports. Mr. Breidenthal noted that 11 institutions had expressed support, with most respondents also expressing interest in participating in independent championship events.
  - b. The committee directed Mr. Leavens to forward to selected conferences (including the Presidents and Allegheny Mountain Conferences and the University Athletic Association) information concerning the proposal and requests for comment and support.
  - c. The committee directed the staff to schedule a telephone conference after completion of the Second Publication of Proposed Legislation, open to all Division III independent institutions, to review proposed legislation.
4. Membership.
  - a. Mr. Breidenthal reported that as of this date, 14 institutions had confirmed 2003-04 association membership.
  - b. Mr. Breidenthal outlined ongoing activities to contact current and potential members. He indicated that 2003-4 recruitment efforts would be substantially complete in early October.

5. Executive Committee Membership. It was noted that the departures of Marv Christopher and Page Remillard from their positions at Cazenovia and Agnes Scott Colleges, respectively, created two openings on the Executive Committee.
  - a. Committee members voted unanimously to elect Kristen Hall, Bard College, as a member of the Executive Committee.
  - b. The committee directed Mr. Leavens to contact the director of athletics at a member institution concerning interest in Executive Committee service.
6. Streets and Trips Software.
  - a. Committee members reviewed results of a survey indicating that nearly all association members contacted were interested in receiving as a benefit of membership software required by the NCAA to calculate mileage between institutions.
  - b. The committee agreed to provide Streets and Trips software free of charge to any interested association member. It was understood that NCAA technology grant funds would be used to purchase the software.
7. Committee Nominations. Mr. Leavens noted that 15 institutions had been contacted to solicit nominations due in September for NCAA committee service. He reported that seven individuals had been nominated for service on five committees and five additional nominations were under consideration on other campuses.
8. Assistance to Provisional Members. The committee identified five provisional member institutions and agreed to contact those institutions individually to offer assistance. Several members of the Executive Committee offered to contact specific institutions, and the staff agreed to contact selected members' directors of athletics to seek their assistance.
9. The telephone conference concluded at 10:50 a.m.