

2019-20 PSAC SPRING SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTORS MEETING

Monday, May 18 | 1 p.m. | Zoom

Welcome/Roll Call -- (Parker)

ROLL CALL: Steve Murray (PSAC), Chris Parker (PSAC), Will Adair (PSAC), Carlin Chesick (PSAC), Tiffany Taylor (PSAC), Matt Heffelfinger (Kutztown), C.J. Hemerly (Kutztown), Jason Greene (Seton Hill), Chip Ransom (Shepherd), Doug Page (East Stroudsburg), Evan Roeser (East Stroudsburg), David Rung (Gannon), Myles Johnson (Gannon), Kayla Peterson (Gannon), Dan Teliski (Gannon), Sean Fagan (Clarion), Matt Kifer (Cal U), Alex King (Cal U), Chris Caputo (Pitt-Johnstown), Doug Spatafore (Lock Haven), Rebekah Mohrmann (Lock Haven), Ethan Hulsey (Millersville), Owen Lukens (Mansfield), Drew Patrick (Mansfield), Jon Holtz (Slippery Rock), Tyler McIntosh (Slippery Rock), Ryan Sargent (Slippery Rock), Dave Leisering (Bloomsburg), Mary Raskob (Bloomsburg), Ryan Rebholz (IUP), Bob Shreve (Edinboro), Bill Morgal (Shippensburg), Jim Zuhlke (West Chester)

NOT PRESENT: Mercyhurst

Steve Murray Update

- Every institution planning to start normally at this time
- Seton Hill starting week or two earlier (Aug 17 instead of 24)
- Conference money, \$2500 towards web streaming through Stretch
- Overview on playing minimum/maximum proposals
- Summarization of document Steve sent to SIDs and other administrators last week
- Requested Doug Spatafore and committee to develop guidelines for press boxes/press row (June 9)
- What will a comprehensive sports season crammed into a six-month timeline look like?

Communications around major announcements (Ex. COVID-19) -- (Spatafore/Holtz)

- Improvement in major announcements focused on communication (Spatafore)
- Embargo on release to cancel spring sports, opportunity to review, clarity in language (Spatafore)
- Make sure SIDs have opportunity to review before it hits student-athletes, confusion in wording. Info was out before we could digest or to craft release (Holtz)
- Even a 30-minute to 1-hour review period would have sufficed (Spatafore/Holtz)
- Lessons were learned, timeliness, respect for all parties involved, internal conversations were held by PSAC officials (Parker)
- Trying to approach situations like that differently in the future (Parker)

PSAC Network Update -- (Holtz/Heffelfinger)

- Send out RFP for streaming provider, sometime before Christmas (Parker)
- Last year with Stretch, PSAC has streaming committee in place (members: Matt Heffelfinger, Jon Holtz, Drew Patrick, Doug Spatafore, Jim Zuhlke and Sean Fagan) (Parker)
- Get everyone on same page moving forward, Stretch not getting it done for the price (Holtz)

- Not only web streaming portion of proposal, possibility for film exchange and officials review through those providers (Murray)
- Proposals by end of semesters, winter begin selection process (Murray)
- Making a recommendation to administrators in April 2021 (Murray)
- Push to go under same provider for different services (Murray)
- Pay-per-view potential? (Murray)
- Conversation with athletic directors, requirements of streaming if you can (Murray)
- Astronomical costs for some of these services that pull in stationary cameras (Holtz)
- Revenue from pay-per-view not worth it (Holtz/Hulsey)

NCAA Live Stats (Ex. Basketball) -- (Holtz/Heffelfinger)

- Holtz gave update on NLS development, where Slippery Rock stands
 - Soccer/Volleyball update, football beta available this fall
- Hosting NCAA event, you need to use NLS (Holtz)
- Motion to make basketball mandatory (Holtz). **Never brought to a vote**
- Fagan gave update on Clarion's ease of using volleyball
- CoSIDA doing a two-week convention, Genius will be presenting on NLS (Holtz)
- Spatafore was hesitant to change, but wishes he'd done it 10 years ago
- Heffelfinger praised Presto as a cheaper alternative to StatCrew for live stat sports where NLS counterparts are undeveloped
- Page notes lack of student workers to complement his staff in switching to NLS
- King notes Cal U strictly StatCrew, ready to make the move VB/SOC but hold up is scoreboard panels in gym and how NLS interacts with those; Fagan assures King that you can tie the two together through NLS in-arena utility (IAU)
- Motion to switch name format for NLS basketball to "First Last" from "LAST, First" for consistency between NLS/StatCrew (Holtz). **Passed.**

Use of PSAC Style Guide/Pronunciation Guide -- (Spatafore/Holtz/Heffelfinger)

- Spatafore notes creation for uniformity, style guide was designed as a help document for conference SIDs
- Making sure pronunciation guides are included for all sports (Page)
- C.J. Hemerly (Secretary), Doug Page (volunteer), Doug Spatafore (President) and Matt Heffelfinger (VP) to approve annual style guide review (Parker)
- Spatafore encourages any ideas for changes to be shared by colleagues via email
- PSAC web page with resources for SIDs? Anyone know of a conference with good example? (Adair)

Criteria for PSAC Tournament/Championship MVP -- (Rebholz)

- Championship MVP who had one hot stretch, or one good game; Adair noted whoever had the best weekend (Rebholz)
- Rebholz looking for feedback from colleagues regarding how they handle tournament MVPs
- Zuhlke taking into account semifinals and championship (at location of championship)
- Morgal brought up tough choice he had to make and wondered if some sort of guidance would help with all other responsibilities to tournament host

- Adair added thoughts; Rebholz looking for consistency

Digital Programs Feedback -- (Heffelfinger)

- Heffelfinger shared finding of digital program survey sent to colleagues earlier this spring and plan for Kutztown to implement a pilot with digital game programs for most sports. Kutztown will continue to print for select sports and print roster sheets for all events
- No negative feedback from Millersville or West Chester on switch to digital game program approach
- Video tutorial from West Chester was helpful (Zuhlke)
- Millersville and West Chester made banners for facilities

Planning for "new-look" (*press box/area set ups, social distancing, visiting media, printing stats, etc.*) -- (Spatafore)

- Small press box issues, no way to properly social distance
- Where do I put video crews, exchange of paper stats in basketball
- Call for emails regarding any game/event ops issues as they pertain to social media

Post Pandemic Planning Committee -- (Spatafore)

- Got calls from Jim Zuhlke and Dave Leisering offering their willingness to serve

PSAC General Update -- (Parker)

- Will Adair shared retirement of SID liaison to ADs, Dan Teliski (Gannon) now serving as liaison
- Spring Top 10 due Friday, but spring grades/GPAs might be difficult to adhere to. Chris Parker pushes back to midweek next week
- Top 10 representatives this year are eligible for Scholar-Athlete of the Year (Parker)
- Parker encourages SIDs to vote for CoSIDA Academic awards
- Parker praised PSAC intern Tiffany Taylor for her time with the conference

PSAC/NCAA Updates on Fall 2020/Schedules/Future -- (Spatafore)

PSAC - - Update Career Record Books -- (Parker)

- Sent updated career records document following meeting via email. Asked for updates from around the conference by July 2, 2020.

Election of a Secretary

- C.J. Hemerly of Kutztown volunteered. **Passed.**