

MINUTES
ATHLETE AGENT BOARD
October 23, 2003 - 9:00 A.M.
Room 428 - Fourth Floor - Heber Wells Bldg.
160 East 300 South
Salt Lake City, Utah

CONVENED: 9:14 A.M.

ADJOURNED: 10:26 A.M.

PRESENT:

Clyde Ormond, Bureau Manager
Marty Simon, Board Secretary
Board Members:
Randall Call Robert Walker

ABSENT:

Paula Roberts Steven Gasser

GUESTS:

Jim Kimmel and Chad Gwilliam, BYU; Korla Woods, Weber State University; Douglas Archie and Jamie Ashby, University of Utah; Craig Jackson, Division Director.

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Due to a lack of a board quorum no decisions were made. These minutes only reflect items that were discussed and recommended.

ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS:

Minutes

Review of the minutes of the August 29, 2002 and June 19, 2003 board meetings were deferred to the next meeting due to a lack of a quorum.

New board member

Mr. Ormond administered the Oath of Office to Mr. Walker.

Elect board chairperson

This was deferred to the next meeting due to a lack of a quorum.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Licensure in Utah

Mr. Ormond spoke to the athlete agents present about the procedure for becoming licensed in Utah. He then gave them the phone numbers for the Division's Bureau of Investigations and asked them to call if they have any knowledge about anyone working as an athlete agent in the state without a license to do so. He gave an overall view of the law governing this profession and the penalties that can be assessed for unlawful or unprofessional conduct.

College Athletic Directors

Mr. Ormond stated the Board had suggested at the last

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board meeting that the athletic directors from all Utah colleges should be invited to provide their input. Each of the athletic directors present were then introduced.

Mr. Woods stated the first thing that should be done is to educate the athletic directors, coaches and athletes about the requirements of the law and rules regulating this profession. This would help to protect the athletes and the colleges within the state. Mr. Walker stated so many times the schools are the last ones to know if someone is illegally recruiting the athletes on campus.

Mr. Ormond asked if it would be helpful to the colleges if the Division were to develop a pamphlet of information about the requirements. They agreed it would be a great idea. They suggested that the pamphlet be addressed toward educating the students and the coaches. Mr. Ormond then inquired if the athletic directors and the Board would be willing to review the pamphlet for accuracy. They agreed to do so. It was mentioned that NCWA might have already developed a pamphlet with information that we could use.

Training Meetings at Colleges

Mr. Archie suggested conducting meetings at the colleges to inform them about the licensure requirements. June would probably be the best time to have the meetings. The Division will send out a letter to the athletic directors to inquire if the coaches could attend the June 16, 2004 board meeting. Mr. Call proposed going to the school campuses to meet with the coaches. Everyone agreed this would be a good idea to ensure the attendance of the coaches. The drawback would be that the participation might not be the same at each school. Mr. Ormond stated that an investigator from the Division would be attending these meeting also. Perhaps a NCWA representative could be at the meetings also.

Mr. Woods expressed concern about what the Division will be doing about any infractions regarding this licensure. He further stated, that the coaches need to be educated as to where they can go to report an unlicensed agent. They need to know there is an enforcement source they can go to with information about any illegal activities of unlicensed athlete agents.

Review of Revised Application

Copies of the new athlete agent license application, were given to those persons present. Mr. Ormond reviewed the application with them as to what is required. The old application implied that an entity could be licensed whereas the new application definitely applies to individual licensure only. It would be difficult to control an entity that might contain many athlete agents within the entity. Mr. Ormond gave them the Division's website so they can reference people to it who want to become licensed in Utah. He also explained to them how to check to see if a person is licensed

Licensure by Reciprocity

Mr. Ormond spoke about the procedure, for a person who is licensed in another state, to become licensed in Utah. This procedure is not really an automatic reciprocity for those who are licensed in other states. Mr. Walker stated he had observed that a lot of the athlete agents do not become licensed in all of the states where they are doing business. Mr. Ormond again requested them to notify the Division's Bureau of Investigations if they know of any agents who are recruiting athletes in Utah without a license

NEXT MEETING:

June 16, 2004 or as needed

DATE APPROVED

CHAIRPERSON, ATHLETE AGENT BOARD

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